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GALLANT CATCH.

THIEF OF LADY'S BAG GETS
DESERVED.

CAPTOR COMPLIMENTED.

"A smart piece of work, undoubtedly," commented Major C. Willson (Second Police Magistrate) this morning, when Mr. F. Schnepel, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., related how, by anticipating the thief's plan of escape, he caught a man who had snatched a lady's handbag. The scoundrel got six months' hard labour and fifteen strokes of the birch, there being no previous conviction.

For the prosecution, Sub-inspector R. E. Watt told His Worship that three ladies were standing outside Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (on the Des Vaux Road side), talking under the verandah, when accused stole up from behind and wrenched a handbag from Mrs. Lim. The jerk was such that the strap was severed, the strap remaining in Mrs. Lim's hand.

The thief bolted up the lane between Messrs. Jardine's and Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw's, chased by a gentleman who had witnessed the act (said the inspector) and the pursuit led into Queen's Road Central and Chiu Lung Street.

As accused had pleaded guilty, no evidence was called. In reply to the Bench, Mr. Schnepel said that he anticipated the thief would turn by Madame Pitt's into Pedder Street. He therefore did not follow direct, but went the other way to round him off. Actually the man was caught in Chiu Lung Street (after running along Queen's Road) and Mr. Schnepel was of the opinion that accused was trying to back into Des Vaux Road again. As Mr. Schnepel was about to make his capture, a Chinese (who turned out to be a detective) joined in "at the kill."

The bag was recovered. Sentence was passed as above mentioned.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

OFFICIAL NOTICES IN THE
"GAZETTE."

NOTICE OF DIVIDEND.

Re Cheng Pat-hing, of No. 6, Mercer Street, 2nd floor, silk merchant, a first and final dividend of \$12.50 per cent. has been declared in the above matter.

The dividend may be received at the Official Receiver's Office, on Monday, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. and on any subsequent day during office hours.

Bankruptcy Notice.
Re the Hing Loong Firm (debtor), and ex parte The Hip Kat Firm (creditor), a first and final dividend is intended to be declared in the matter of the Hing Loong Firm, of No. 3, Lyndhurst Terrace, adjudicated bankrupt on March 20, 1926. Creditors who have not proved their debts by May 10, will be excluded.

DENTAL REGISTER.

CORRECTED LIST PUBLISHED
IN "GAZETTE."

The following corrected copy of the Dental Register is published in the Government "Gazette" in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 16 of 1914:
Dental Surgeons:—Mehdy Edward Asger, Cyril Herbert Burton, Arthur de Carvalho, Chau Moon-hung, Frederick Howard Kew, Irvin Whiteley Kew, Charles Emmet Lynott, George William McKenn, Joseph Whittlesey Noble, Norihisa Shimokawa, Allan Wright Shovelton, Frederick Thompson.

Exempted Persons:—Cheng Wing-lew, Paul Rees Daugherty, Harry Fong, Ralph Ekin Gill, Kong Tat-yuen, Matthew Connor Lasher, Lau Lu-tsun, Lau Pak-wai, Pun U-tung, Hilmar Florenz Sommers, Leslie Osborn Spillane, Tam Ha-fong, Tang Yuk, Herbert To, James Dennis White, Wong Jee-lum, Tashio Yamasaki, Yee Kwok-chue, Yeung Shiu-chun.

It is ordered that the provisions of the Dentists' Ordinance, 1922, Ordinance No. 14 of 1922, shall not apply in the case of the domestic tenement known as King Edward Hotel, standing on Section A of Inland Lot No. 1724.

GREEK MUTINY.

SMALL TOWN OCCUPIED BY
REBELS.

SPEEDY SURRENDER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Athens, April 9.

An official statement says that Majors Bakirdji, Karakoula, and Zetis led the mutiny of a small number of troops who occupied Karabournu, in the Gulf of Salonica.

Karabournu was surrounded. The fleet was ordered to proceed to Salonica.

Subsequently it was announced that the mutineers had surrendered.

Wires Buzzing.

Athens, later.

The wires were set buzzing with military and naval orders all over the country on receipt of the news of the outbreak at midnight.

Troops from Athens immediately entrained for Salonica. Other garrisons were instructed to be prepared.

The fleet sailed at five o'clock in the morning with orders to shell the insurgents if necessary.

All the malcontents surrendered at 11.45 a.m. The ringleaders were despatched to Athens for court-martial.

A communique says that the insurgents did not exceed 400 officers. According to one report it is declared that the movement was not aimed at the Government but at the heads of the army in Salonica.

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London, April 9.

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TRIAD SOCIETIES?

GOVERNMENT QUARTERS
RAIDED.

INSIGNIA FOUND.

(Reuter's Service.)
Paris, April 9.
The determined efforts of the Paris Police to obliterate the increasing illegal traffic in drugs have resulted in numerous arrests recently.

As an instance an arrest has been made in connection with the death yesterday of the well-known actress, Vanda Sylvano, who was found dead in Courbevoie (a residential suburb of Paris) following an overdose of heroin with a lady barrister stretched senseless alongside her.

Other arrests involve a news-vendor, who was seen slipping small packets in the folds of his newspapers. The packets were found to contain cocaine.

Two Corsicans at Marseilles were found in possession of three pounds of opium, whilst a man who was arrested in connection with the death of a girl from an overdose of morphine, cut his throat rather than face the charge.

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SILK STOCKINGS.

ALLEGED THIEF IN MESSRS.
POWELL'S.

A LADY'S SUSPICIONS.

Six pairs of ladies' silk stockings, valued at \$6.50 a pair, formed the subject matter of a charge before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning, when a Chinese youth was charged with the theft of the goods from Messrs. William Powell, Ltd.

Mr. W. A. Eustace, Managing Director, gave evidence to the effect that one of accused's duties was to take away shoes for alterations or repairs.

Because of previous losses of goods alleged to be accessible to accused, the lady assistant (Mrs. Stanfield) had suspected him. On Thursday afternoon, he carried a parcel which did not look like shoes. This parcel was opened, said Mr. Eustace, and the stockings were found inside. He was called and accused admitted making up the parcel, but maintaining that he did not know how the stockings got inside the wrapper.

A search was then made of a place frequented by accused and it was alleged, other stockings were found. Altogether about eighteen pairs had been missed from their proper place.

Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask, who had just been instructed to defend, then applied for a remand, which was granted till Tuesday, bail being fixed at \$100.

DOGS' ORDINANCE.

NEW REGULATIONS IN THE
GAZETTE.

The following regulations were made by the Governor in Council under section 6 of the Dogs' Ordinance, 1893, Ordinance No. 5 of 1893, on Thursday:

1. The regulation made by the Governor in Council under section 6 of the Dogs' Ordinance, 1893, on June 18, 1925, and published on page 158 of the Regulations of Hongkong, 1844-1925, under the heading "Stray dogs at night" shall be suspended from April 12 until further notice.

2. The regulation made by the Governor in Council under section 6 of the Dogs' Ordinance, 1893, on April 1, 1926, and published in the "Gazette" of the same date as Notification No. 174 shall apply only to the Island of Hongkong, Kowloon, and New Kowloon.

Another Dog Bite.
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WAR DEBTS.

FRENCH MINISTER'S TRIP TO
LONDON.

AWAITS AMERICAN MAIL?

(Reuter's Service.)
Paris, April 9.

Following a Cabinet meeting, M. Perot, Minister of Finance, stated that he is not going to London before the end of next week.

It is believed that he is waiting certain information from Washington in regard to negotiations that are at present proceeding with the United States Treasury.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/3 1/16.

DRUG FIENDS.

ACTRESS & LADY BARRISTER
AS VICTIMS.

LATEST PARIS SENSATION.

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QUIET MARKET.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF LOCAL
SHARES.

PRICES WELL MAINTAINED.

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor's weekly share report states:—

We have had a quiet market during the week under review but there has been very little pressure to sell and prices generally have been well maintained.

A few transactions have taken place for May and June but the forward market is still very restricted. Shanghai market is firm with buyers prevailing.

The following are the principal alterations since last week:—

Banks:—Have again been the medium of considerable business and a good many shares have changed hands.

Unions:—Have been in good demand and have come to business at \$285.

Canton Insurance and Hongkong Fire:—Are wanted at quotations.

Hotels:—Based off a little and a fair number of shares have changed hands, closing with buyers at \$10.10.

Electric:—Are steady with buyers at \$63.

Trams:—After ending off close flatter with buyers at \$24 1/2 but few if any sellers.

China Sugars:—Have come to business at \$22 and more shares are wanted.

China Lights:—Are steady with buyers at \$21 for the Combined shares.

Steamboats:—Are wanted at

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 1926.

THEOSOPHY.

REINCARNATION—LIGHT ON LIFE'S DIFFICULTIES.

At this week's public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society on Thursday, Mr. H. B. Laneport gave an address on "Reincarnation, the Light on Life's Difficulties." The said, in brief:

Because of its inherent reasonableness the doctrine of reincarnation is known in the East and is believed in by the majority of the human race, is now rapidly spreading all over the world, intuitively presenting itself to the best thought of modern times, philosophers, poets, and scientists alike begin to consider it as the only system that philosophy can harken to as worth serious consideration.

Reincarnation must not, however, be confused with the mythic end-teaching of the transmigration of human souls into animal bodies or plants, as Reincarnation distinctly implies that man is reborn only in human form. Is it a matter of luck what one obtains at birth, or is it not perfectly reasonable to believe that only the body at birth is new, that the indwelling soul is an old one bringing with it the character and capacities it has built during few or many previous lives in male and female bodies on earth and that each soul is born into those surroundings and conditions which are needed to teach it the lesson it has next to learn.

The Divine command is to become perfect as the Father in Heaven is perfect, and even when we are told that a further development will take place in Heaven after death, it is not more reasonable to think that, as we all have not yet learned all the lessons which this earth can teach us, we should return to earth till we have become perfect, a pillar in the temple of God, to go out no more. It is the rediscovery of the truth of reincarnation which makes life endurable, noble and rational, restoring justice to God and power to man, reestablishing the essential and eternal divinity of man, which is being unfolded and ever more manifested in every son of man, through repeated lives of experience and production on earth.

Past Lives.

Often people want to know why it is that one does not remember his past lives. There is an increasing number of those who can remember, who have learned to vibrate in direct harmony with the immortal self within, the reincarnating ego. In fact, we all remember, if not the details of the results, and this sublimated memory makes us what we are—our characters, aptitudes and capacities. It is because we have each life a new brain and physical memory is sealed in the physical brain that we as a rule do not remember the details, yet our consciences, so widely different in different people, bear witness to our past experiences.

Another question asked often is how is it that the population on earth daily increases? It does not. The total number of egos remains in our days the same, we need only realize that at any time the egos in incarnation represent only a small fraction of all the egos, and a sudden increase of egos in the physical world is accompanied by a corresponding decrease of disembodied egos in the "after-death state."

Until one can definitely remember one's own past lives, reincarnation must be more or less a theory, but it is one that explains the facts of life, and makes of it a dignified and orderly process. No other hypothesis gives such a satisfactory answer to life's puzzles. The alternative is to regard God either as arbitrary or unjust, and man to be in the grip of a fate over which he has no control.

Reincarnation shows God to be a God of Love, and that the world and its inhabitants are undergoing a wisely planned and wisely directed process of growth. The riddle of love and hate, the difference of race, creed, class, colour, being classes, in life's school through which in various incarnations all have to pass sooner or later, all find their explanation in our previous lives on earth and the cause set

JAPANESE FLIGHT.

COMING PROBABLY TO HONGKONG.

Tokyo, April 2.

A flight from Japan to the Dutch East Indies is being planned by the aviation authorities of the Sascha naval station. The route would be via Formosa, Hainan, and Hongkong, according to the plans ultimately decided upon by the naval ministry.

It is possible, according to one official, that the planes will attempt to hop from Formosa to Formosa without touching the Philippines. Prior to the Japanese East Indies flight, another is planned in the nature of a practice flight. This will follow a course from Tokyo to Tsingtau and Shanghai. This will be the first time a Japanese plane has appeared in Shanghai.—United Press.

DISARMAMENT.

JAPANESE NEWSPAPER'S VIEW.

Tokyo, April 2.

Commenting on the Preliminary Disarmament Conference which has been decided to be held on May 17 at Geneva, the "Hochi" in its editorial to-day, says in part:

"As we cannot help feeling that the military expenditures of Japan is even too much in her present economical condition, Japan should adopt necessary measures in her national defence scheme. It is our very earnest desire that Japan will play the role of advocate of positive disarmament with a view to wiping out the misunderstandings of all other nations as regards Japan's policy, as well as of maintaining equilibrium of our national power and national defence."—Eastern News Agency.

SCIENCE INSTITUTE

MILLIONS TO BE SPENT IN SHANGHAI.

Tokyo, April 2.

Japan's cultural works vis-a-vis China are making steady progress in the concrete. It has been decided that the construction of the Shanghai Natural Science Research Institute building will be started this year and will be completed in 6 years. The expense estimated at ¥2,000,000.

The construction of the Civilian Education Research Institute and Library is being established in Peking with a total cost of ¥3,000,000 as soon as suitable sites are found and will also be completed in 6 years. It is expected that the construction of the buildings in Peking will be set on foot within this year.—Eastern News Agency.

The following two letters were reported to have been exchanged:—Razor Company.

Dear Sirs: Inclosed you will please find \$5 for one of your best safety razors and some shaving cream.

Yours truly, (Signed) H. R.—

P.S. I forgot to inclose the \$5, but any company with as much money as yours has doesn't need it. H. R.

The Razor Company sent this reply: Dear Sir:

Inclosed you will find the razor and cream as ordered.

Sincerely yours, (Signed) Razor Company.

P.S. We forgot to inclose the razor and cream. But anyone with your cheek doesn't need to shave. Trumbull Cheer.

going therein. The problems of education, of social and national life, of leadership, of attitude toward the younglings of humanity and penal reform, of right and wrong, are equally illuminated by the knowledge of the law of rebirth, and give that larger understanding, that greater patience, and undying hope which make us fit for the new age of universal brotherhood which will be ushered in by the World Teacher Who shall tread the earth ere long.

FAR EAST.

QUESTIONS ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, in reply to Mr. Ammon (Lab.—Cambridge), on March 3 said no written protest against the boycott generally has been made to the Government at Peking, but protest has been lodged in respect of certain incidents arising out of it, such as the arrest of British subjects. His Majesty's Minister has also on more than one occasion pointed out verbally to members of the Central Government that the continuation of the state of affairs prevailing at Canton and Swatow is not conducive to continued good relations between the British and Chinese Governments and peoples. I see no useful purpose in considering whether the Central Government are technically responsible, since it is notorious that in practice they exercise at the moment no effective control over Canton.

Salt Revenues.

Mr. Samuel Samuel asked the Foreign Secretary if he was aware that the present chief inspector of the Salt Revenue in China is getting, and would he assure the House that H.M. Government would support the nomination of a British subject for this position so as to maintain the prestige of Great Britain.

Sir Austen Chamberlain: I understand that no final decision has yet been come to with regard to the retirement of the chief inspector of the Salt Revenues. The second part of the question does not, therefore, at present arise.

Unrest at Shanghai.

On March 8, Mr. G. Lockhart-Lampson, answering Mr. Pethick-Lawrence (Lab.—Lab.), said:—According to official information there was unrest in Japanese mills at Shanghai at the beginning of this month, but the Press reports that this has now subsided. It is highly improbable that this unrest had anything to do with the child labour question. His Majesty's Consul-General at Shanghai has been instructed to watch the child labour question carefully, with a view to assisting in any reform movement, but the position is a delicate one, since there are signs that the introduction of municipal legislation restricting the employment of child workers might be utilised for further agitation against foreign interference with Chinese rights.

Anti-British Intrigues.

Sir P. Hall (Dulwich, U.) asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether his attention had been called to the situation in the Communist International of a special Chinese commission for the purpose of fostering anti-British intrigues in China, whether he was aware that, in order to emphasise this side of the commission's work, Mr. Brown, the permanent secretary of the British section of the International, had been given a special post on the commission, and whether the British representative in Russia would be instructed to make representations on the matter to the Soviet Government with a view to the observance of the pledge given under the trade agreement to refrain from anti-British propaganda.

Mr. Lockhart-Lampson: As regards parts 1 and 2 of this question, I have seen a report in the Press, but I have no official information. As regards part 3, it is doubtful whether such representations would have any useful effect even if more detailed information were available.

Sir P. Hall asked whether it was not the fact that the British Government had no power over the Soviet Government, and that any promises made by the Soviet Government were not worth the paper they were written on. Sir W. Davidson asked whether it was not provided in the trade agreement that if the Soviet Government did not attend to representations made to them by the British Government the trade agreement would be cancelled. Mr. G. Lockhart-Lampson said the Foreign Secretary had dealt fully with this matter recently. As to representations being made to the Soviet Government, he did not think that any representations on this particular matter would do any good. Sir P. Hall: I agree. (Laughter.)

Reception Secretary.

Mr. Amery informed Mr. Mackinder (Shipley, Lab.) that he had appointed Lieutenant-Colonel H. V. B. de Saige, C.M.G., D.S.O., to his personal staff, in 1924 to act as Ceremonial and Reception Secretary, at a salary of £500, with the usual Civil Service bonus. Lieutenant-Colonel de Saige assisted him in dealing with the arrangements concerning overseas officials and other visitors from the Dominions and Colonies in connection with

LIFE FOR SON.

BOTH PERISH IN FLAMES.

In a fire which destroyed his home, Drumsplan House, Pinwherry, near Gwynedd, Mr. Richard Whyte was burned to death with his son James, aged 9, whom he was trying to save after rescuing the boy's twin brother, Derek.

The alarm was given by a maid-servant. Mr. Whyte ordered the servants to run for their lives as the staircase was ablaze. He then dashed back to the bedroom in which Derek and James were asleep. Making a rope of the bedclothes he lowered Derek out of the window on to the lawn, but his efforts to save James were unsuccessful. It is believed that father and son were both overcome by the smoke.

The fire by then had enveloped the building and showers of sparks were shooting high into the air. Although plenty of water was available nothing could be done to save the building. The roof fell in with a crash.

Destroyed in 2 Hours.

The bodies of the father and son were later discovered by the firemen in a front room upstairs. The boy was lying with his face towards the window and the father was near the door.

Nannie McCreath, one of the maid-servants, after describing to the "Daily Mail" reporter how Mr. Whyte saved Derek, said:

He then passed inside to get James and we never saw him again. I think James must have been frightened and left his own room. For some time my sister Mary and I were the only spectators of the fire.

The whole house was destroyed in about two hours. Mr. Whyte and I had been three minutes later there would have been nobody left to tell the story. Mrs. Whyte arrived at Pinwherry from Glasgow, where she had been visiting, and stayed at the schoolhouse in the village with her son Derek.

700TH ANNIVERSARY.

Only seven years after the town of Lubeck (Lübeck) in the North German Empire celebrated its 700th anniversary as a free city, but this will be no great feat for 700th anniversary as a city. At least a century earlier Frederick the Great, King of Prussia, had conferred upon it the dignity of an imperial city, and it was then already one of the most famous trading ports in Northern Europe. Lubeck, it will be recalled, was one of the three republics in the late German Empire, and had been a republic for generations before the empire was founded.

GREEN NOT WORN.

"People in Golden Green" are very superstitious, and they won't wear green," said Madame "Tosette," of the Parade, Golden Green, N. W., a restaurateur, at Westminster on February 14, when Lady Bernalda, of Oxford Street, W., costume manufacturer, and her for £1 14s. 6d. the price of a two-piece suit ordered by telephone for a special customer.

Madame "Tosette" had objected to its green trimming, and refused to accept delivery.

Looking at the suit Judge Tobin said, "Is it a bathing-gown or a dressing-gown?"

Mr. Leon: It is a dress and a coat.

Judge Tobin: Golden Green does not like green. Why do you not educate them up to what is nice? Madame "Tosette": It is a way they have at Golden Green.

Judgment was given for Mr. Bernalda.

"I entered this town with only half a crown in my pocket," boasted the self-made man. "Yes," said one of his auditors, "but there were other people's pockets."

BOXER INDEMNITY.

COMMISSION ENTERTAINED IN HANKOW.

Hankow, April 4.

Yesterday morning, the Boxer Indemnity Commission went to Wuchang to inspect the schools and colleges there, after which they went to the Yamen to lift with General Chen Chin-mo. About one hundred guests were present, foreign and Chinese.

General Chen Chin-mo, in a speech, declared that his views on the subject of the disposal of the funds were similar to Marshal Wu Pei-fu's. He stated that the improvement of railways was most important and if properly managed would provide a lasting prop for the support of education.

He concluded by proposing the health of Lord Willingdon and his colleagues.

Lord Willingdon in reply thanked the Yamen for his hospitality and for his charming speech and many favours.

He regretted that he had no fresh information to impart.

The function closed with the guests drinking the health of their hosts.—"Reuter's Pacific Service."

LADY'S JUMP.

THROUGH A PORT HOLE.

Marras, March 9.

The s.s. "Ethiopia," which arrived in Madras Harbour late last night with mails and passengers from Rangoon, reported to the Port authorities that Miss D'Glanville, aged 20, an upper class passenger, was found missing on board on Monday morning. Her cabin was found locked from the inside. The door was broken open, the young lady was not there. The port-hole was found open, and it is believed that in a temporary fit of insanity she jumped overboard through the port hole.

The deceased was travelling alone, and is stated to be the daughter of Mr. D'Glanville, one of the leaders of the Rangoon Bar.

She was on her way to Madras for treatment at the Sanatorium there.

"Tourist: 'What's that animal?'"

Native: "That's a razorback hog, sah."

"What's he rubbing himself on the tree for?"

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26.—N.Y.K. Oosaka Maru
27.—N.Y.K. Sado Maru
28.—J.C.J.L. Hikini

FROM JAWA.
Apr. 16.—J.C.J.L. Tjikong
17.—J.C.J.L. Tjikong
FROM SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.
Apr. 12.—N.Y.K. Aki Maru
May 7.—E. & A. Tania
19.—B. I. Taiping
19.—N.Y.K. Matsura Maru
June 11.—E. & A. Arafura
18.—B. I. Chagote
22.—N.Y.K. Tongo Maru
July 17.—B. I. Taiping
FROM SEATTLE & VANCOUVER.
Apr. 13.—A.O.L. Pros. McKinley
21.—C.P.S. Empress of Asia
27.—B. I. Pandarus
May 11.—B. I. Pandarus
19.—B. I. Pandarus
30.—B. I. Pandarus
July 23.—B. I. Pandarus
Aug. 11.—B. I. Pandarus
Sept. 2.—B. I. Pandarus
Oct. 4.—B. I. Pandarus

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.
Apr. 18.—N.Y.K. Shinyo Maru
FROM SOUTH AMERICA.
Apr. 27.—N.Y.K. Sagami Maru
May 12.—N.Y.K. Bokoro Maru
FROM NEW YORK.
(Via Panama.)
Apr. 23.—N.Y.K. Tanayama Maru
(Via Suez.)
Apr. 12.—S. Line Pros. Van Buren
16.—A.O.L. Pros. Pierce
FROM LONDON.
Apr. 14.—B. I. Form
15.—P. & O. Kashiwa
18.—G. L. Carmarthenshire
19.—G. L. Glenbeg
20.—P. & O. Khyber
May 13.—P. & O. Malwa
18.—G. L. Glenbeg
27.—P. & O. Mantua
29.—P. & O. Padua
30.—G. L. Guntara
June 8.—P. & O. Kampoora
10.—P. & O. Kaimala
24.—P. & O. Kachmit
July 2.—P. & O. Kachmit
Aug. 5.—P. & O. Kachmit
19.—P. & O. Kachmit
Sop. 2.—P. & O. Kachmit
18.—P. & O. Kachmit



KING ALFONSO
King Alfonso XIII of Spain has announced plans to visit the United States, South America and Cuba in the near future.

FROM LIVERPOOL.
Apr. 28.—B. I. Antenor
June 8.—B. I. Antenor
Aug. 4.—B. I. Antenor

FROM DUNKIRK.
Apr. 22.—B. I. Antenor
FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.
Apr. 14.—B. I. Antenor
23.—N.Y.K. Antenor Maru
May 4.—J.C.J.L. Antenor Maru
7.—N.Y.K. Antenor Maru
11.—H.A.L. Antenor Maru
21.—N.Y.K. Antenor Maru
31.—J.C.J.L. Antenor Maru
June 6.—N.Y.K. Antenor Maru
18.—N.Y.K. Antenor Maru
FROM MARSEILLES.
Apr. 13.—M. M. Antenor
27.—M. M. Antenor
May 11.—M. M. Antenor
25.—M. M. Antenor
June 8.—M. M. Antenor
FROM ANTWERP.
May 12.—S. F. A. Co. Antenor
FROM HAMBURG.
Apr. 24.—N. L. Antenor
May 22.—N. L. Antenor
June 19.—N. L. Antenor
July 10.—N. L. Antenor
Aug. 12.—N. L. Antenor
Sept. 11.—N. L. Antenor
FROM COPENHAGEN.
Apr. 25.—E. A. Antenor
May 7.—E. A. Antenor
June 7.—E. A. Antenor
July 5.—E. A. Antenor

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.
The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" was due here at 7 a.m. to-day and berths at Kowloon Wharf No. 5.
The B. I. s.s. "Talamba" left Singapore for this port on April 6 at p.m. and is due here to-morrow at daylight.
The B. I. s.s. "Benrinnes" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits is due to arrive here on April 14.
The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on April 3 and is due here on April 21.
The s.s. "Sumatra" (Swedish East Asiatic Co. Ltd.) left Dunkirk on March 16 and is due here on or about April 23.
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Captain Harris inspected the ranks and in a few brief words expressed his keen appreciation at the large number of men who had turned up to bid him farewell, observing that the arrangements had been kept entirely in the dark as far as he was concerned. Captain Harris said that he felt sure that his wife, who had gone on board earlier in the morning, would very much regret not having been present, and accepted on her behalf, a handsome bouquet of daffodils.

Captain Harris wished the Company every success during his absence, saying that he would follow their activities with the keenest interest and hoped that they would have a jolly time and "come out top dogs at the Annual Inspection."

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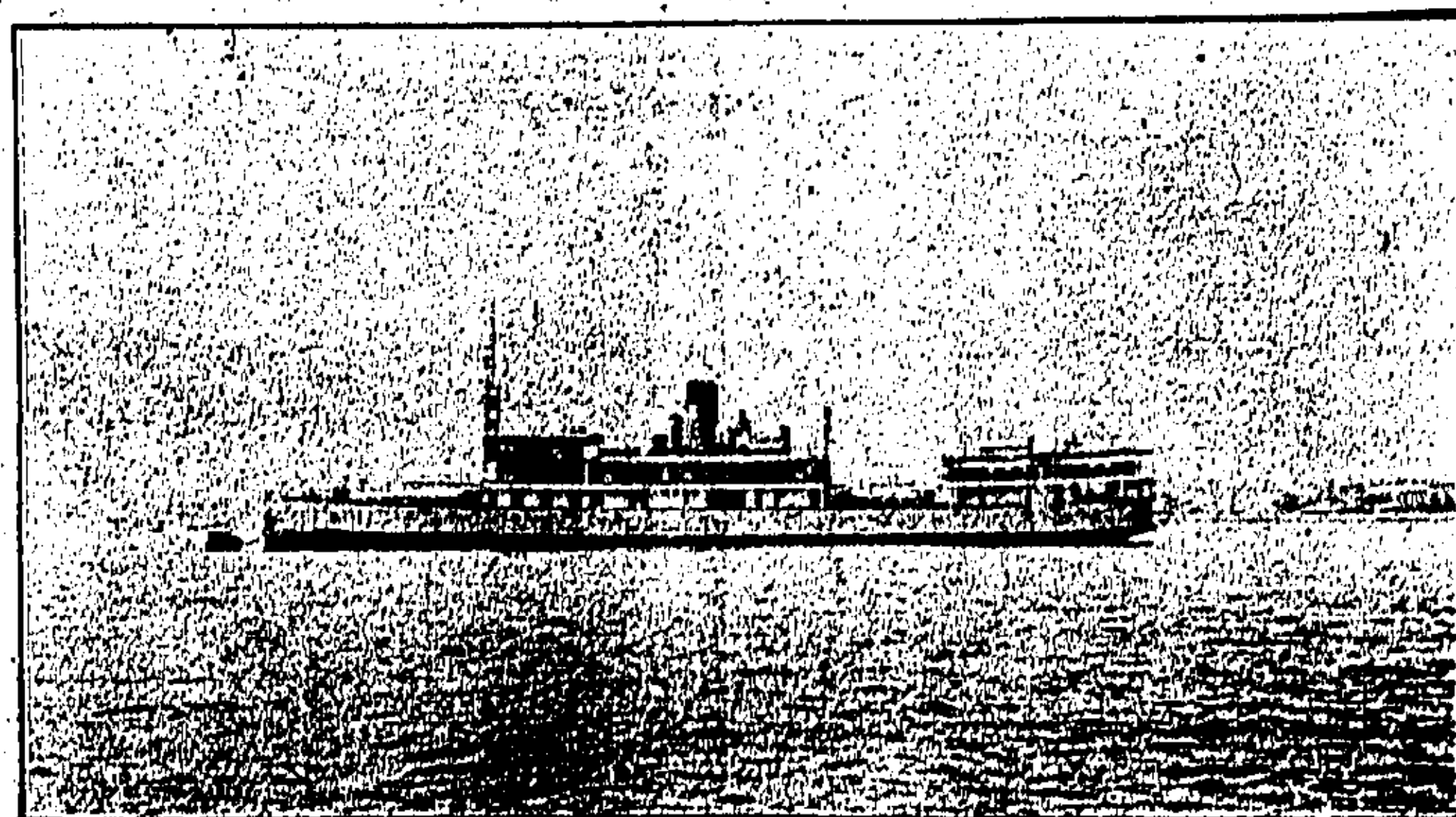
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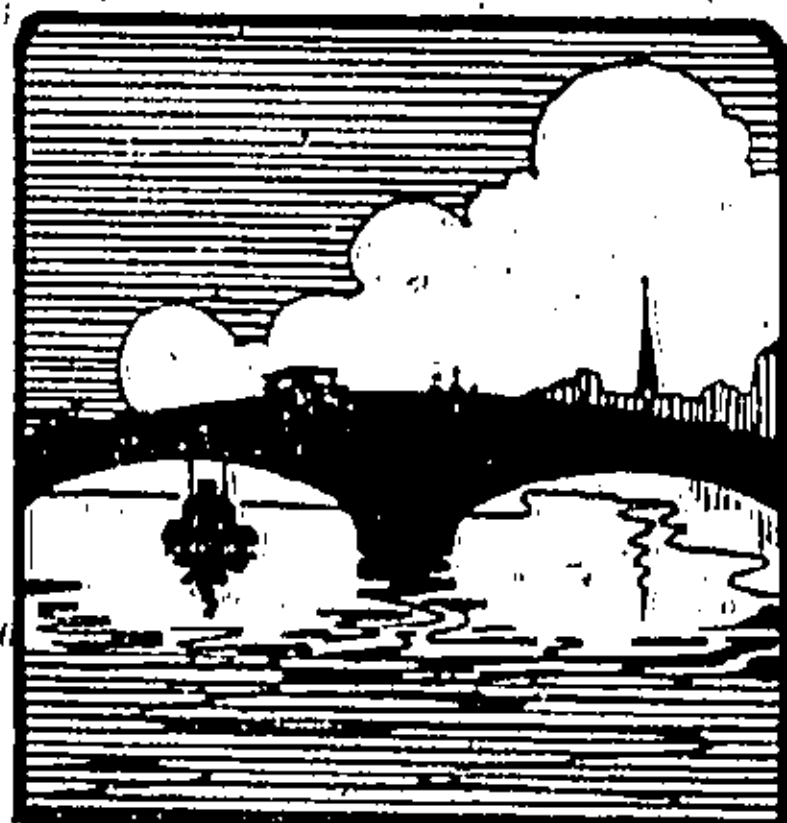
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Hongkong, Saturday, April 10, 1926.

A SATURDAY CAUSERIE.

All and everything purely local have been dwarfed during the past week by the sensational statements made at the meeting of shareholders of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company. Further than publishing a fair report of the proceedings of that meeting, it is not, however, advisable at the present juncture to volunteer anything in the way of comment. A Committee of Investigation has been appointed into the alleged losses of nearly two million dollars, and until such time as it concludes its work and reports to the shareholders again, the whole matter may be regarded as *sub judice* in fairness to all concerned. Another topic much discussed has been the state of the matchless at Repulse Bay and the absolute lack of common decency on or around the beach there. Dr. Koch led the attack against these eyesores at the meeting of the Sanitary Board; and if the public only act on what they say *sub rosa* the Government should be prodded sooner or later into introducing much needed reforms. There has been too much drifting already. At the same meeting the question of rabies was thoroughly discussed, tending to confirm the general impression that the various authorities in their zeal have overlapped each other and confused the whole issue—to put it mildly. The launching of a new Police launch may not be regarded as anything out of the common in a Home shipbuilding yard; but this is not Home, and every fresh local product from our local yards is to be welcomed in these depressing times. Messrs. W. S. Bailey and Company have certainly added to their laurels as launch builders. Mention of shipping is a reminder of the disastrous fire that occurred on the N. Y. K. "Anyo Maru" lying in dry dock at Kowloon. Fortunately a serious conflagration was averted owing

to the good work of the new fire float, which came into active service for the first time. In educational circles the usual interest was manifested in the annual presentation of prizes at the Wah Yan School where the Vice-Chancellor of the University gave an inspiring address to the pupils. In Club land the week has been noteworthy on account of the decision of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club to form itself into a limited liability company with the object of simplifying the issue of debentures for the erection of the new pavilion, operations on which are expected to be commenced next month. When completed the new pavilion should greatly add to the amenities of this part of Kowloon. At the annual meeting of the Kowloon Golf Club it was decided not to raise the annual subscription, as was at one time mooted. Inter-club sporting relations have been improved by a visit to Hongkong of a Portuguese football team from Shanghai, an interesting series of matches being played in spite of inclement weather on one or two days. The Fanling Hunt Club held another enjoyable steeplechase meeting on Monday, although the attendance of the general public was not so good as was anticipated. The celebrated Australian cricketer, George Gray, is in the Colony but his first match at the Engineers' Institute proved a fiasco, the champion being completely off form.

Home affairs have been rather subdued during the week, no doubt due to the aftermath of the Easter holidays. The Coal Commission's report has again been the most prominent theme of discussion, which alternated between fears of another crisis and hopes of an amicable compromise between the miners and the coal owners. The Prince of Wales has reached the convalescent stage and has gone to Sandwich; whilst the latest reports of the condition of His Majesty the King's sister, Princess Victoria, who was rather seriously ill, have been of a reassuring nature.

Coming to matters in the Overseas Possessions, there have been religious feuds in Calcutta and a strike of mill workers as the outcome of allegations of assault on a coolie by a European—allegations that have been denied. Apparently it does not require much these days to stir up the industrial malcontents in India, thanks to the careful coaching of the extremists, assisted covertly, no doubt, by the Communists.

Aviation has figured very much in the week's news, the greatest enthusiasm being evinced in Madrid over the departure for Manila of three Spanish "aces." As these are expected to touch at

Hongkong it is to be trusted that adequate arrangements will be made for their reception here. Mr. Alan Cobham is making arrangements to add to his aerial feats by a flight this time to Australia—a country which is making very great headway in the art of aviation. There is also talk of a flight by Japanese "airmen" from Tokyo to the Dutch East Indies via Hongkong or Manila.

In foreign politics the sensation of the week has been the attempt on the life of Signor Mussolini, the Dictator of Italy, by an eccentric British lady connected with the Peerage, who claims to have accomplished a "lofty mission." The outrage has horrified the whole world and instead of calling attention to whatever undesirable features there may be in Fascism, has only made of Mussolini a greater national hero than ever. Nowadays "lofty missions" are not accomplished by the revolver or the sword. France has been stirred by a national appeal for voluntary subscriptions to pay off all the debts of the nation, and General Joffre has been appointed President of the National Committee. M. Malvy, a stormy petrel in war time, who was recently appointed Minister of the Interior, has resigned. Even nations may forgive and yet not forget! The dove of peace has appeared on the horizon in Morocco, and Abd el Krim has sent an emissary to talk for him in regard to terms of settlement. Greece reports a triffing and short-lived mutiny of troops, whilst the ancient city of Bagdad is threatened by unprecedented floods.

To all outward appearances the position in Canton remains a stalemate, but it is on the cards that any day may produce important developments in regard to the boycott. This being so, the matter need not be further discussed here. The civil war in the North proceeds "normally"—fighting one day and rumours of peace pourparlers the next. Some day or some year the Chinese may awaken to the realisation that militarism is the greatest curse of that unhappy country.

TO HONGKONG'S ELECTORS.

Gentlemen:—

Monday next should be a red-letter day in your history. For the first time for years you are being asked to record what some of you, perhaps, never imagined you possessed—a vote. Two public-spirited gentlemen seek your suffrages, and to serve you on the Sanitary Board. These gentlemen—if we know them aright—are not place-hunters, or limelight seekers. They are members of an honourable profession, the first qualification for membership of which is knowledge. They seek to place that knowledge at the service of the community in a sphere that is highly important—sanitation. Much has been said recently in criticism of the sanitary measures in vogue in this Colony. We may be a city of fragrant streams, but alas! we are also a city of fragrant smells. The Sanitary Board may be likened to a poor man striving against adversity. Its powers are limited, for ever in the shadow is that which has been described as a Benevolent Government, over-riding, cutting down, and literally throwing cold water on schemes which aim at longevity, or a more healthy state of existence. The Sanitary Board is well served by its co-opted and elected members. A vacancy occurs which must be filled. Two candidates compliment you by asking you to consider their claims to serve you. They compliment you by the implied suggestion that you are interested in the Colony's health and that you do really think about the Colony's needs. The least you can do is to return that compliment by deciding between now and Monday for whom you will vote, and to take care that your vote is cast.

The "China Mail" takes no sides and does not recommend. It does urge you to exercise that which seems to have been given you because you are likely to be called to serve upon a jury—in its way, a tribute that you are an intelligent entity, capable of thinking and acting.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

Two Kinds. Mr. Justice McCarron, die's claim that judges are as sympathetic and soft-hearted as other people is a reminder of a debate in the House of Commons 50 years back. Mr. Attorney-General Coleridge was supporting a Woman's Suffrage Bill, and, instancing the aptitudes of women for careers then closed to them, he remarked that many women had the graceful qualities of sympathy and so were well fitted to adorn the bench of judges. All this impressed the House. Will old Serjeant Dowse got up to oppose. "His argument," said the Serjeant, "seems to be this—that because some judges are old women, therefore old women ought to be judges."

The expensive man Both Welsh. In the train talked all the time; the quiet man answered in monosyllables. As he was leaving the expensive one, said: "Well, glad to have met you; fine chat we had; my name's Welsh." "So's mine," said the other. The talkative man was nearly carried past Shatin at this coincidence. When order was restored, another passenger said: "That's a coincidence, both your names being Welsh." "Yes," said the quiet one, "mine's Llewellyn."

The following is a Grave Menu, contributed by a Home Literary Journal:—At this time, when the psychology of the Oriental mind is of paramount importance in its bearing on the political crisis in China's history, the following incident may be of interest:

SMUGGLERS' HOST OF TRICKS.

News of a brisk smuggling trade in rubber, due to the export restrictions imposed on the planters, is contained in dispatches from Penang, Straits Settlements. Such news smacks of a romantic past through which flitted Malay pirates, with—for Western counterparts—pearlcoats and rapiers and guardacostas.

The old-time smuggler looms in the modern eye as a bronzed man with a kerchief on his head, standing in the red glow of a fire flaring on a high hill above a rocky inlet. The fact is, according to those who have surveyed the situation, that the art and science of smuggling was never at a finer point nor more extensive than to-day. The age of radio, swift sea-scout guards and vigilant aeroplanes may in time be called the golden age of smuggling.

Punishments and bales did for the contrabandist of other days. But he would be astounded, and perhaps sometimes shocked, at the thousand refinements developed by modern underground traffic in silk, cotton, wheat, diamonds, narcotics, coolies, aliens, liquor, arms, rubber and lesser items.

If the smuggler ever looked like a picture book pirate, now he—or she—may saunter past the Customs men as spry and span as a mannequin. She is, in fact, a mannequin, running back and forth between France and England as diligently as an endless belt, and on each trip wearing half a dozen suits of those sheer silk garments which were taxed so high under the new British silk duties. This sort of smuggler has driven the Customs guard at Dover and Folkestone frantic, trying to catch her, for a mere glance will not show whether she has on a single pair of stockings or eight; and as for the other things—

Rear-Admiral F. C. Billard of the Coast Guard recently said that, as far as the United States was concerned, smuggling—at sea had practically disappeared and rum-running had been reduced. In one aspect of another, however, smuggling has given the United States such increased concern in recent years that it has been found necessary to make ten new treaties with various nations.

Rum row off New York has its counterpart in the East Indies, where rubber-running has sprung into a thriving industry, with wealthy interests as higher-ups. Coolies do the actual work, landing the cargoes in the Dutch East Indies for export and drawing big money for doing it, with compensation if they are caught. There are other parts of the world where smuggling to-day is a maritime affair, but some of the chief problems of the United States, aside from the coast liquor trade, are created by inland smuggling. The public hears a good deal of border rum-runners, but not much about the cotton and silk smugglers along the Canadian line. When the Canadian cotton industry summed up its last year, however,

A resident of Tientsin trained a young Chinese, who eventually became his head boy. After many years of service, during which the boy acquired a perfect knowledge of cooking and catering, his master died, and the boy was made steward of the Tientsin Club. On the eve of his first banquet, the arrangements of which had brought him in much "squeeze," a visitor to the English cemetery saw the Chinese enter, and out of curiosity followed him. The boy found his master's grave, produced from his sleeve the menu of the forthcoming dinner, chin-chinned his late master, and left the menu on the headstone.

This individual act of gratitude seems to prove that the Chinese, for the most part, are exceedingly grateful to the "foreigner" for developing their industries and opening up trade.

Efforts which are being made by the authorities Memory. the best fed in the world recall to a correspondent a Macedonian memory of the war. In a certain cavalry unit there was a dearth of bread but a big surplus of "bully," while with a Greek battalion a few miles away conditions were exactly the reverse. Hence there came about a system of barter, and at regular intervals a couple of the British soldiers would ride into the camp of their allies with two sacks filled with the tinned beef. The rate of exchange was one large round Greek loaf of rye bread to two time tins of preserved meat, and the Greeks used to line up under a sergeant for the ceremony. Not until this was complete, did the visit change from very formal to most cordial.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 1926.

COAL INDUSTRY.

DOOR STILL OPEN FOR COMPROMISE.

MORE CONFERENCES.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 9.
The miners' delegates conference did not reach a definite decision. It unanimously adopted the Executive's recommendations earlier.
Another delegates conference is being called to arrive at a final decision.
The Executive succeeded in carrying a moderate policy and avoided for the moment a decision which would have the effect of rejecting the owners' proposals outright and creating a deadlock.
It is probable that the miners' leaders will confer with the Government before meeting the owners.
The Miners' Executive is acting on the advice of the Industrial Committee of the Trades Union Congress that negotiations should be continued in order that points of difference between the parties may be reduced to the smallest dimensions.

EARLIER CABLES.

London, April 9.
The National Delegates Conference of Miners privately discussed in London to-day the proposals of the coalowners arising from the coal report. The Executive recommended the rejection of the proposals and a firm stand against district agreements, or reductions in wages.

MALVY EXPLAINS.

WHY HE RESIGNED FROM FRENCH CABINET.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, April 8.
M. Malvy, announcing his resignation, said the attacks made on him were of such a nature as to weaken the support which M. Briand had a right to expect of him. Moreover, he was precluded from replying suitably to these as long as he held the portfolio of Minister of the Interior.
It will be remembered that M. Malvy's inclusion in the present Cabinet was strongly objected to by certain Deputies, who accused him of ordering the death of some deserting soldiers during the war, these having been led (it was contended) to refuse duty by M. Malvy's "defeatist" attitude. There were sensational scenes in the Chamber on its re-assembly after the formation of the present Briand Cabinet.

DOVE OF PEACE.

POURPARLERS TO OPEN IN MOROCCO.

PRELIMINARY STEPS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, April 9.
Following the sending by Abd el Krim of an emissary to the French authorities in Morocco negotiations are opening immediately at Ujda, in Morocco, between representatives of the rebellious Riff tribes and the French and Spanish authorities.
The French delegation has been appointed.

FRENCH INFLUENCE.

PEKING BISHOP UNFOLDS PLANS.

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, April 9.
Mgr. Fabregeus, Coadjutor Bishop of Peking, interviewed by the Gaulois, declared he came to France to make opinion more interested in the development of French influence in the Far East, and intended to found at Peking two high instruction colleges for Chinese society, and a youth and apprenticeship school, which plan was approved by the Holy See.

MEXICO'S LAWS.

PETROLEUM ACT NOW IN FORCE.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Mexico City, April 9.
The Petroleum Law is published in an official Gazette, and is immediately effective.

PATRIOTS PAY.

NEW WAY TO PAY OFF DEBTS.

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, April 9.
The Finance Ministry announces the formation of the National Committee under the presidency of General Joffre. M. Doumergue has donated 50,000 francs and M. Raoul Peret 10,000.
[A previous message said:—The newspapers publish the details of a scheme which the Government is said to be considering for a national appeal for patriotic voluntary subscriptions to pay off France's debts. The nucleus of the movement will be a so-called Committee of National Propaganda, presided over by one of France's heroes "whose name is synonymous with victory." The Committee which is to be non-party would appeal for voluntary subscriptions throughout the country. "Le Journal" says the financial bill is to be set rolling by the Government itself, and every penny of the proceeds is to be devoted to paying off France's debt as early as possible.]

OIL POLLUTION.

AMERICA DESIRES AN AGREEMENT.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, April 9.
The Government has called a conference of maritime Powers for June 8, for the purpose of dealing with the problems of oil pollution through an international agreement.
Twelve countries have been invited, including Great Britain and Japan.

PHILIPPINE MINES.

DUTCH COMPANY'S OFFER TO PURCHASE.

JAVANESE LABOUR TO BE IMPORTED.

The board of control is prepared to entertain and consider any definite offer from the Dutch Coal Company of Borneo for a lease of the Malangan mines of the National Coal Company. Under instructions from the board Claude Russell, general manager of the National Coal Company, has just forwarded a communication to the Dutch firm's officials informing them of the attitude of the board and inviting them to offer definite terms.
A high official of the Dutch Company, while passing through Manila less than a month ago, approached Mr. Russell about the possibility of obtaining a lease on the Mindanao mines under control of the government company. This move was communicated to the board of control and at its last meeting it agreed to authorize Mr. Russell to open negotiations with the Dutch firm and to urge it to present a concrete proposal. In his communication, Mr. Russell enclosed statistics and maps about the Mindanao mines.
The Dutch company has extensive mineral holdings in Dutch Borneo where it is employing Javanese labourers. It is understood. Should it succeed in acquiring control of the local mines, it would bring Javanese labourers who are not included in the immigration prohibition, according to information reaching National Coal Company officials. The Dutch miners are understood to believe that under proper control and supervision Javanese miners do better than Chinese coolies, which recently has been suggested for the more extensive development of the Mindanao mines.
In the meantime, machinery and equipment which have been lying idle in the Cebu mines will be moved to Malangan. Present plans of the company are for a more intensive working of the mines with a view to increasing the output from about 2,500 tons a month to at least 4,000. According to Mr. Russell who has just returned on the s.s. "Pompey" from Mindanao local demand for coal at the mines is increasing.—"Manila Bulletin."

Stockholm, Dec. 4.—Sweden's prohibitionists have temporarily received American reinforcement through the presence of William E. "Pussyfoot" Johnson, who is making a lightning tour of the southern and central parts of the country and drawing large crowds everywhere. On Sunday he was admitted to the pulpit of the historic Blasieholm Church in the heart of Stockholm.
As against the present restrictive system of liquor distribution in Sweden, he presented the case for the total prohibition policy as it was working in the United States.

LOST RECEIPTS.

BURDEN OF PROOF ON THE BUYER.

(Havas Agency.)

If you get in a bill for the second time which you believe you have already paid, your easiest method of proof is, of course, the production of the receipted bill, says "Inner Temple" in the "Daily Mail." Whether you go to the shop with the receipt or write about it, do not be rude or unpleasant. Mistakes will occur.
If you paid the bill by cheque made out in favour of the owner, his endorsement of the cheque is proof that you paid him the sum of money set out on the cheque. Your only problem then will be to satisfy him that the bill in question, and not some other account, was paid for by that cheque.
But receipt or an endorsed cheque is not the only proof of payment—they are merely the best proofs; and it does not follow that because you are unable to produce either of these you must pay a second time. You can, if you choose to run the risk, refuse to pay and leave it to the tradesman to sue you. He will swear that you have not paid him, and you will swear that you did, and possibly you may have had a friend with you at the time who will corroborate your story. It will be for the judge to decide.
But do not forget that you are handicapped. Inasmuch as you have had the goods, the judge will order you to pay for them—unless you satisfy him that you have already done so. That is to say, the burden of proving that you have paid lies on you.

If you and your friend and the tradesman all look equally honest and respectable, the judge may say that he is sure everybody is trying to speak the truth, but that someone's memory is at fault, and in face of the tradesman's denial you have not satisfied him that the debt has been in fact paid. And the result will be that you will have to pay the bill and the tradesman's law costs!
The question is sometimes asked as to how long receipted bills should be kept. The wise person retains them for six years. If you keep your receipts for each year neatly tied up and packed away in a cupboard, you can then have a fiery destruction each New Year's Day of the bills that are six years old.

"LONG LIVE DEATH!"

BARON'S LETTER BEFORE SUICIDE.

Vienna, Feb. 28.

Baron Philipp Haas-Teichen, the wealthy Austrian carpet manufacturer, aged 66, who shot himself dead with a sporting rifle (as reported in "The Daily Mail" a few days ago) was a student of weaving at Leeds when a young man.
He had been an invalid for 14 years and, though seriously ill, two nights ago rose from his bed, dressed and went out to post several identically worded letters to Vienna newspapers announcing his death. He then returned and shot himself. The letters ran:—
Honoured Editor.—I have remained a not quite unknown individual in the world. It will therefore perhaps be desirable to you to be able to satisfy the curiosity of many of your readers by offering them the explanation which follows. Respectfully,
PHILIPP HAAS-TEICHEN.
Wien, 4 Bezirk, Waaggasse 6.
Constant inadequacy of the heart muscles, rheumatism, and all the other pleasant accompaniments incident to "growing old" are not calculated to provide that vitality which is necessary to enable one to treat as merely amusing the irritations of life in a wretched cauldron, and to sustain interest in whatever the future may hold.
I am dead as mutton, Hurrah! No tight shoe can pinch me any more.
There is nothing finer to be had. I have Rest, and Long Live Death!

KING'S REGRETS.

AT ATTEMPT ON SIGNOR MUSSOLINI.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 9.
The British Ambassador at Rome has been commanded to convey His Majesty's regrets at the attempt on Signor Mussolini.

NO FOOD FOR 5 YEARS

The remarkable case of a woman who has eaten nothing for five years is being treated in a nursing home at Saragossa.
The patient is Amalia Baranda Ruiz, who in a town near Burgos suffered an hysterical attack, accompanied by brain disturbance, in 1920. Up to February 1921 she lived on a milk diet, but the treatment had to be abandoned owing to a ulcer perforating the stomach.
Since that time she has lived entirely on daily injections of a reconstituent tonic. At the beginning of her illness she weighed 12st. 8½lb., but now weighs only 1st. 2½lb.

LOCAL & GENERAL.

Mr. Chow Pak-tin has resigned his position as assistant secretary to the Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. W. M. Crosby of the Pacific Commercial Company Manila arrived by the "President Jackson" yesterday. He is passing through Hongkong on his way to Manila.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce is still negotiating with the Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd. with regard to the company's decision that a certain class of consumer must pay in advance.
A diamond ring valued at \$200 was reported yesterday to have been lost. The owner left the Metropole Hotel with the ring in his pocket, and on arriving at the Station Hotel, Kowloon, found that it had vanished.

The executive committee of the Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce will take up the question of alleged hardship and inconvenience to certain Chinese in the matter of resumption of land by the Government.
On arrival here yesterday, the s.s. "Hydangea," from Kwanchauwan, reported that the ship grounded on the rocks off Ah Chau Island from 7.15 a.m. to 3.35 a.m. on April 9. No damage was sustained and the ship came off without assistance.

The Associated Chambers of Commerce of China (Peking) have requested the Hongkong Chinese Chamber to support a resolution to the British Boxer Indemnity Commission, in favour of "proceeds for industrial enterprise and profits to education."
In response to a request by 82 hawkers, the local Chinese Chamber of Commerce has instructed its executive committee to investigate into the alleged arrests of licensed persons' wives or children (while acting as substitutes) by the Police. Representations may be made to the authorities.

On Easter Sunday flowers were sent from some Church to the Nethersole and Ho Miu Ling Hospitals. Other flowers were sent on Monday from St. John's Cathedral and Union Church. The thanks of the Hospitals are presented to the unknown donors as well as to the two Churches named.

A verdict of accidental death was returned by the jury at the resumed inquest before Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday into the death of a coolie who was killed while working on the cliff face of the Government quarry at North Point. The man was mutilated by a shower of stones when some rock, loosened the previous day, was blasted. Mr. Lindell observed that the man had only himself to blame.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

April 10—Queen's Theatre: Buster Keaton in "The Navigator".
April 10—Star Theatre: "The Happy Ending".
April 10—World Theatre: "Moon of Ishtar".
April 10—Carnival at Repulse Bay Hotel.
April 11—Queen's Theatre: "The Painted Phlippen," also the "King of Bakalaka".
April 13—Queen's Theatre: "Wild Oranges".
April 15—Queen's Theatre: "The Last Laugh".

Sports.
April 10—Shield finals, Junior and Senior Divisions, H.K.F.C. Ground.
April 11—Volunteer Cricket at University Ground, 10.45 a.m.
April 17—Final round in "Sunday Herald" Cup, between Portugal and England, on H.K.F.C. ground, 4.45 p.m.
April 21—Fifth bi-annual ship's lifeboat race for the "Trevesa" Trophy, 4 p.m.
April 24—Annual athletic sports of the Victoria Recreation Club.

Auctions.
April 12—Lammert Bros., at Sales Room, Duddell Street, office and household furniture, etc., etc., 2.30 p.m.
April 13—Lammert Bros. will auction at Messrs. Brunner, Mond & Co., Ltd., Godown, Praya East, 29 casks Carbosil, 10.30 a.m.
April 13—At Lammert Bros., Sales Room, Duddell Street, miscellaneous goods, 11 a.m.

Company Meetings.
April 15—Nineteenth meeting of shareholders of "Gande, Price Co., Ltd., at No. 2, Ice House Street, (St. George's Building) noon.
April 22—Forty-eighth meeting of shareholders of China Sugar Refining Co., in the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., at noon.

Miscellaneous.
April 10—Annual dinner of the Civil Service B.C. at Volunteer Headquarters, 8 p.m.
April 12—Muzzling of dogs enforced until further notice.
April 12—Election of new members for the Sanitary Board.
April 16—Meeting of members of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce in the City Hall, 4 p.m.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL.

Between midnight and sunrise of Wednesday, clothing valued at \$12.20 was stolen from No. 123, Canton Road, Kowloon.

Elmhursts Building, Kowloon, sent out a fire call yesterday. When the Brigade arrived, it was found that the outbreak was in the chimney and the trouble was soon put right.

Divisional Inspector C. F. Aris was leaving the garage at the Water Police Station in his car (an Austin seven) last evening, and struck and embankment. The car turned partly over. Inspector Aris was not badly injured although a medical man was called in to see him.

Mr. E. L. Matteson, the local manager of the Dollar and Admiral Line interests proceeds on leave to-day by the "President Jackson". He will be accompanied by Mrs. Matteson and their child. It is not known definitely if Mr. Matteson will return to Hongkong. Mr. Tilling of the Shanghai office has taken charge.

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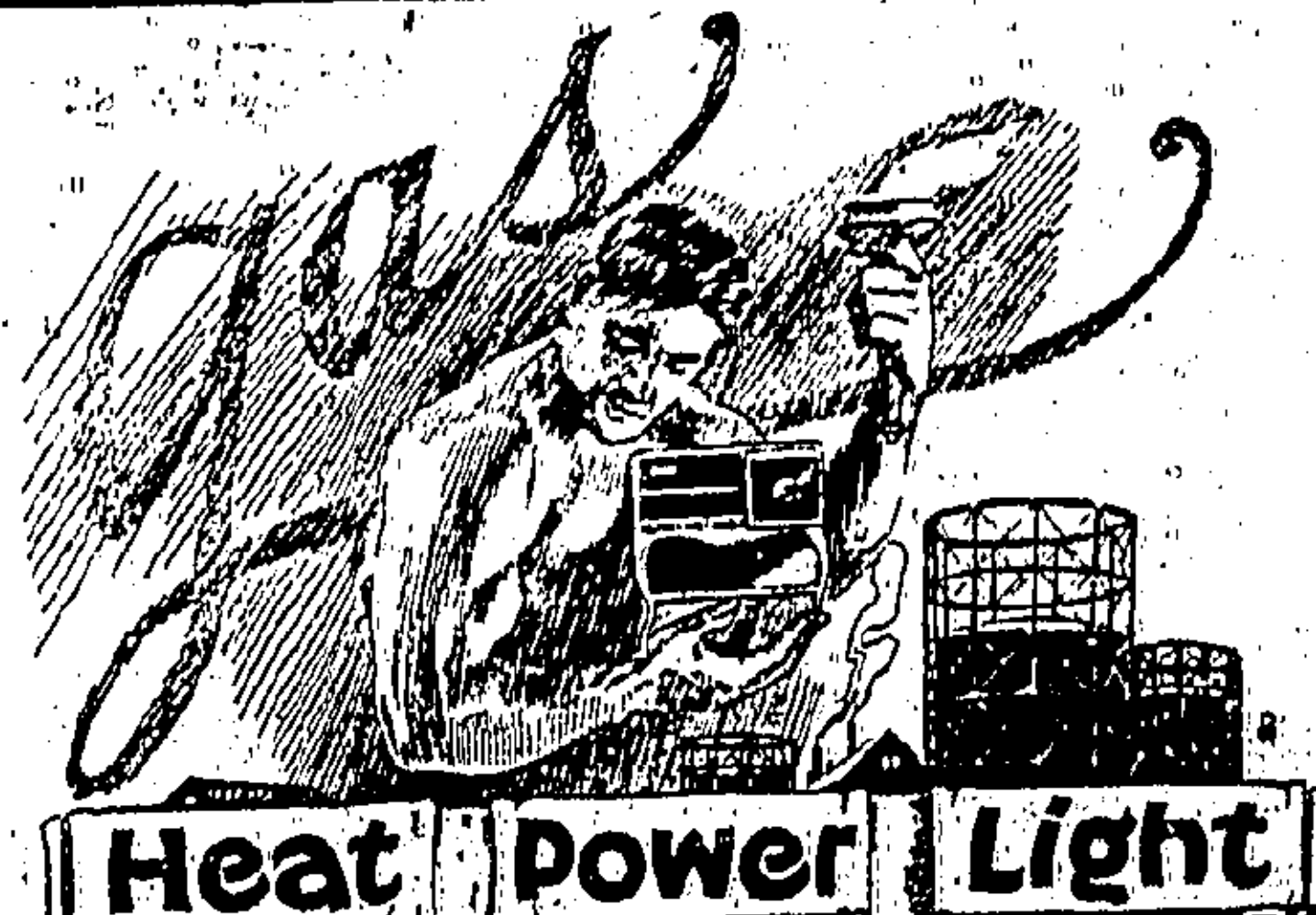
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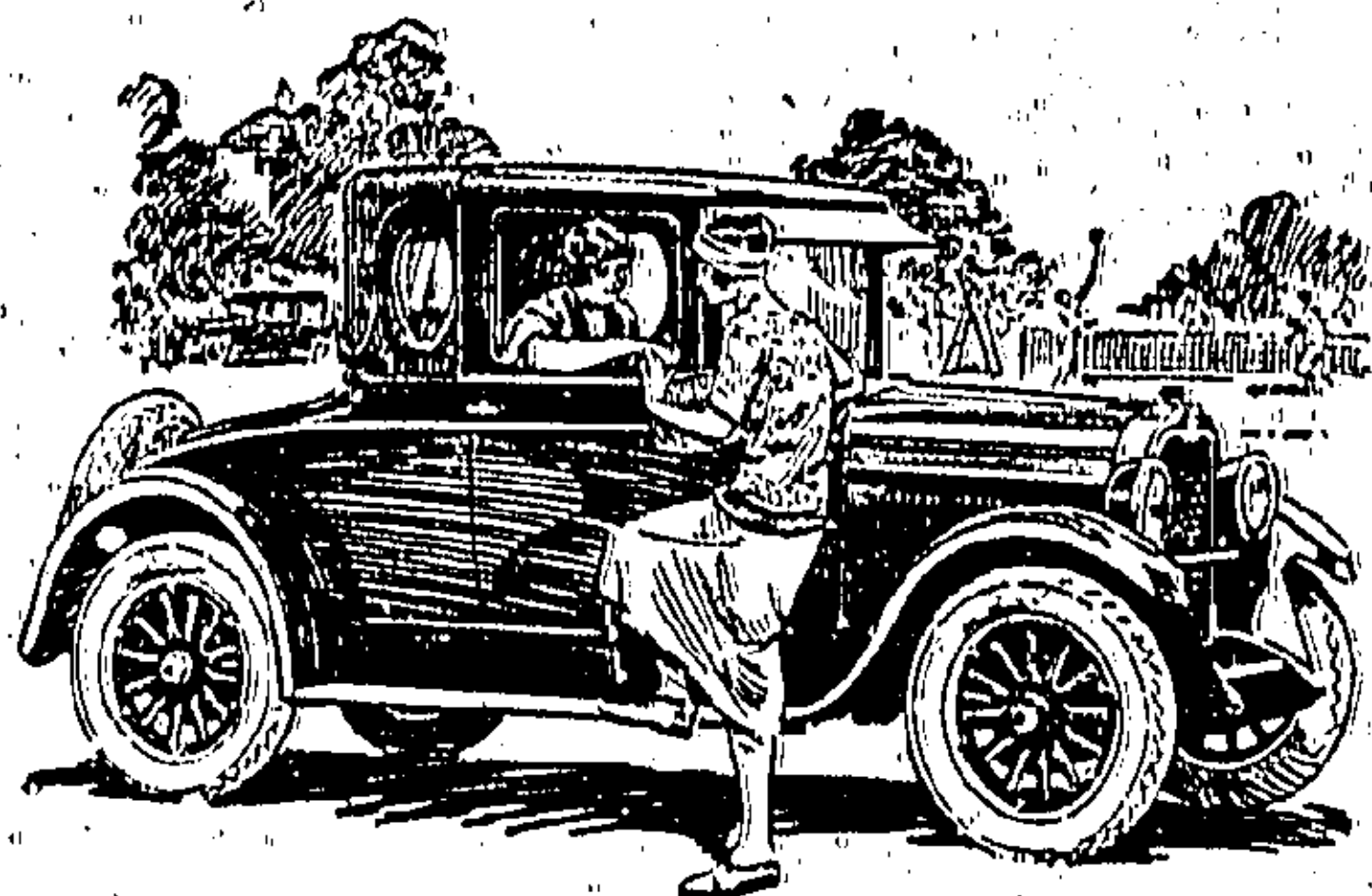
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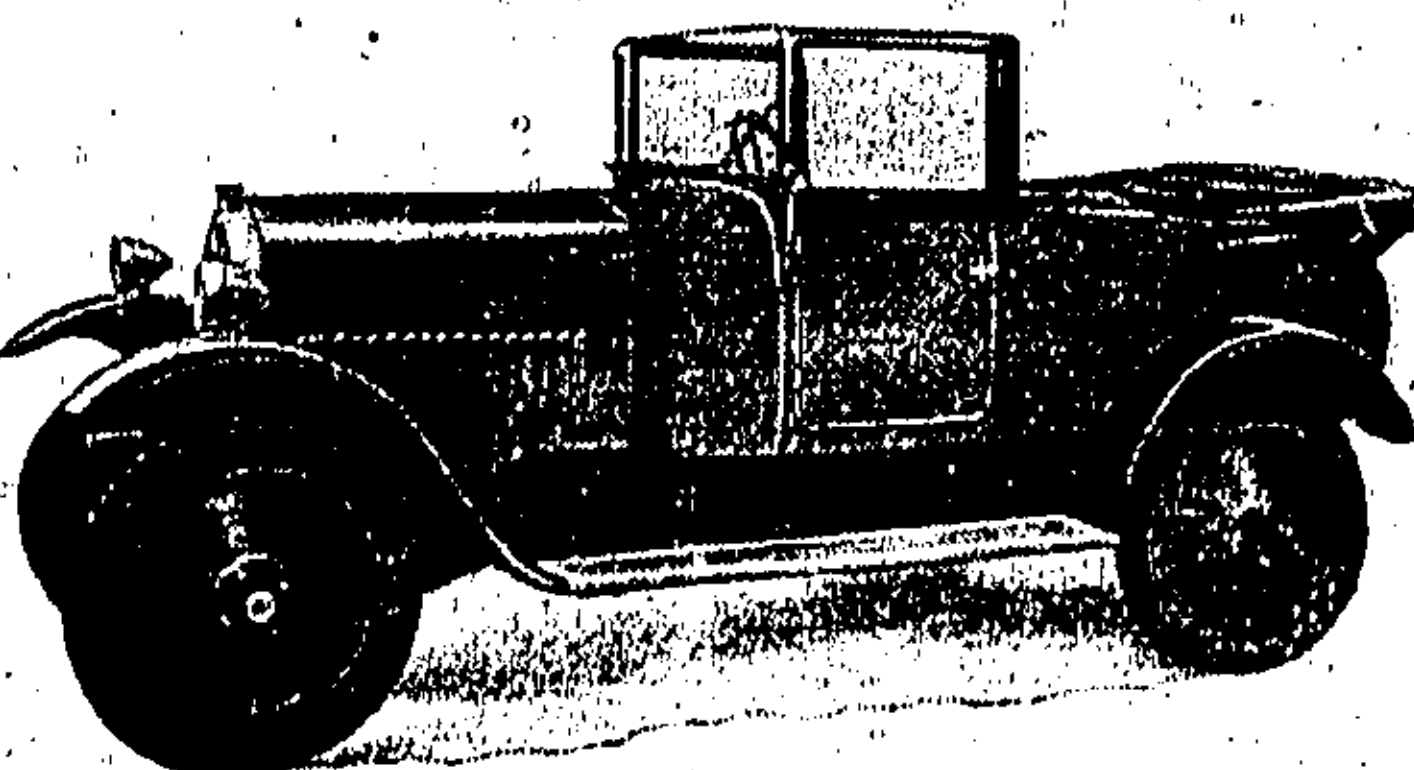
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is estimated that the slow moving traffic of London is causing a loss of over £70,000,000 a year.

Two laywomen were fined 5s. each at Marylebone County Court for returning late from lunch.

Four single-screw motor-ships, each 355 feet long, are being built at Dumbarton for a Liverpool firm.

"Believe this is a miscarriage of justice," remarked a prisoner when found guilty at London Sessions.

A male white elephant is being shipped from Rangoon to London shortly as a presentation to the London Zoo. The term "white" as applied to an elephant is rather misleading. One of these animals was exhibited at the Zoo many years ago. It was of a dirty light grey colour, with pinkish patches on the head and shoulders.

The Mansfield House Settlement, Canning Town, has an enthusiastic company of amateur actors and actresses. They recently produced John Drinkwater's "Oliver Cromwell," the parts being taken by Air Ministry officials, school teachers, and dock labourers. A labourer, who took the part of Hampden, left the stage in time to start dock work at 9 p.m.

New York has again fallen victim to the "marathon" dance craze. Judges in a Broadway "dance" hall recently halted the three remaining contestants in a Charleston endurance contest after they were on the floor 22½ hours. Three orchestras were exhausted and 1,000 phonograph needles used up. The judges gave the first prize to John Giori, second to Chippy Kay and third to Henry Purcell. Miss Minnie Dalton, the strongest woman contestant, dropped out after seven hours and 46 minutes.

By the provision of a fleet of war vessels for India another addition will be made to the world's diminutive navies. Though the phrase "the Swiss Navy" is often used in a joking way, such an organisation actually exists, and is composed of a number of motor-boats, which search for smugglers on the lakes of this happy hunting land for tourists. Then there is the Serbian Navy, consisting of small craft which travel up and down the Danube, guarding the frontier, while Monaco also possesses some fast motor-boats.

Four women at London Sessions selected the youngest barrister in court for dock briefs.

"A noble calling," said the judge at Clerkenwell County Court when a witness was said to be a street sweeper.

Britain is the only country in which the majority of those who work on the land can get no land to work themselves.

Cyril John Saunders, aged nineteen, a carter, of Beech-road, Luton, was summoned for failing to attend the Territorials' annual training. He refused to be sworn, and said he absented himself because he started reading the Bible, and came to the conclusion that it was against the Bible to have anything to do with armaments.



Norbert Peterson, a former prison pet of Gerald Chapman, was arrested in New York, and charged with robbing a post office. He was surprised in a restaurant and fought furiously until overpowered.

Efforts are being made by the drapery trade to stop what is considered to be the unfair competition of church bazaars. At a meeting of the executive of the Drapers' Chamber of Trade in London it was announced that negotiations are being carried on with the National Free Church Council and the Church of England with a view to persuading the churches to refrain from holding bazaars. Many members of the Chamber, it was stated, lose their trade because of church bazaars, especially in the smaller districts.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Civil Service Cricket Club, annual dinner is to be held at Volunteer Headquarters at eight o'clock to-night.

London, March 28.—Aided by Queen Mary, the young Duchess of York is making final preparations for the birth early in May of her first child.

Lieut. Colonel and Mrs. Frank J. Griffin arrived in Hongkong from Manila by the "President Jackson" yesterday. They are taking a two months' vacation in China and Japan.

A remarkable wreath, representing a football field with the team in play, was carried at the funeral of Mr. John Muref, the popular inside-right of the Town and Comrades football team, Soham Cambs.

The Rev. S. H. Seabie, of Greenacre Congregational Church, Barking Road East, has "banned" billiards and cards at his church. When he took up the pastorate he made it a condition that all "worldly concerns should go."

Two pieces of statuary by Rodin, one of them called "The Embrace" and the other "Grief," have just been sent to the United States by Donald Hise of Salem, O. Mr. Hise bought them from Mlle. Madeleine Jouvray, who for sixteen years was a pupil of Rodin. Mlle. Jouvray is now sixty-seven years old and "in poverty. She had kept the statues wrapped in sacks for twenty-five years.

With Gobi Desert again as his objective, Dr. Roy Chapman Andrews has left for Peking, bearing the assurance of the Mongolian Government that he and his party of scientists will be welcome. Before leaving Dr. Andrews made public a cablegram from Mongolian officials, which denied the report circulated from Moscow last fall that the Andrews party had then been expelled from Mongolia. The cablegram was signed by President Scientific Committee Jamyan and Perpetual Secretary Jantsaraw.

Miss Sybil Thorndike has revived Bernard Shaw's "Saint Joan" at the Lyceum Theatre, London.

One of Stella Benson's delightful articles appears in the last number to hand, of the Nation and Atheneum.

"I think it is ridiculous that a girl should be able to marry at the age of 12 when as a woman she cannot vote until she is 30," said Mr. F. W. Pethick-Lawrence to a Press representative.

Sir Arthur K. Yapp, General Secretary of the National Council of the British Y.M.C.A., will arrive in Kobe May 9. Sir Arthur is on a world-tour to inspect Y.M.C.A. work in different countries of the world.

As a mark of his "great admiration for the incomparable work" of the Lifboat service, the American Ambassador, Mr. A. B. Houghton, has sent a special donation to the Royal National Lifboat Institution.

The feminine cult of short hair seems to be having the effect of making some men try "to go one better," for the latest masculine hair cut is shorter than the shortest Eton crop—at the back. Several young men have recently appeared with this two-piece hair cut, the front being left normal, while the back hair from the top of the head to the nape of the neck in almost "prison cropped."

"Of all the dull and dreary places, the suburbs are, sometimes the worst," said the Bishop of Chelmsford in a lunch hour address at the Church of St. Edmund, Lombard Street. "Think of the people who are compelled to live in the suburbs the whole day," continued the Bishop. "Think of the dreariness, the temptation, the strife. If you preach a moral idea to them and speak of the glory of comradeship, they will sometimes tell you it leaves them cold. The tremendous need of the suburbs is for a dynamic to put these ideas into action."

The London County Council is enquiring into the suggestion for the establishment of a municipal orchestra.

Professor E. Guyenot, of the University of Geneva, has succeeded in restoring—or creating—sight in the lowest forms of animals by grafting new eyes. His success is the sequel to years of experiments.

The Heston (Middlesex) post office in a grocer's shop, part of which is said to be 900 years old, is being pulled down to provide a site for modern buildings. The postmaster, Mr. E. Paines, and his parents before him have been in charge for nearly 100 years.

The "Aquitania" arrived at New York recently with the letter "Q" missing from her name description on the port side, the "Q" having been washed away by a huge wave which suddenly rose up from an otherwise moderately calm sea and dashed against the ship 60 feet above the water-line, smashing the great cargo-boom into three pieces.

Mr. Ellis Davies is to ask the President of the Board of Trade whether his attention has been drawn to the fact that public limited companies are at present in a position to issue balance sheets containing very little information which is of value to their shareholders in ascertaining the real position of the company and the consequent value of the shares held by them.

King George, who is fond of listening to the radio at odd moments, and Queen Mary, who does cross-word puzzles now and then, have a new amusement, if they care for it, in watching London's newest system of "merry-go-round," which has been introduced around the Queen Victoria Memorial, directly in front of Buckingham Palace, to help solve London's traffic problem. Under the new scheme, all vehicular traffic approaching the memorial must proceed around it in a clockwise direction until arriving at the point of exit. Half a dozen policemen have been on duty to help drivers get accustomed to the rules, which create a whirling picture of an endless line of motor cars all day long and most of the night. The traffic experts, by the "merry-go-round," hope to eliminate traffic crossings altogether at this important and aristocratic centre.

Lieut. S. T. Liu and Y. H. Yeh and Lieut. Commr. T. P. Liu have been elected to membership of the Royal Geographical Society.

General Lu has arrived in England from China for the purpose of study financial matters. He is accompanied by Mr. Lu, a magistrate.

The late Mr. Robert Alexander White, of Bukit Cheraka Estate, Jeram, Selangor, Federated Malay States, of the Scottish Malay Rubber Co., Ltd., left personal estate valued at £3,516.

Mr. Sydney Waterlow was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace on March 5, and kissed hands on his appointment as His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Bangkok.

Captain Cranmer-Blynn, who has successfully produced his new play "Selma" at Birmingham, has for years edited the delightful series of "The Wisdom of the East." He writes and translates Chinese poetry and philosophy.

Among those presented to the King at the levee at St. James's Palace on March 2, was Mr. Herbert Blunt, on appointment as H.M. Consul at Batavia. He was presented by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

The following appointments have been made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies:—Misses M. M. Hadley, K. E. Berry, K. M. Young and E. J. Nye as European Women Teachers in Malaya; Lieut. P. F. Howitt, M.A., as European Master in Malaya; Lieut. D. Archibald, M.B., Ch.B., M.C., as Medical Officer in Malaya; Mr. E. C. S. Sichel as Assistant Superintendent of Customs in the Malay States; Surg. Prob. T. C. Wakefield, M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., as Medical Officer in the Malay States; Miss G. P. Pean, as a Nursing Sister in the Straits Settlements; and Capt. J. A. W. Edden, L.M.S.S.A., M.B., etc., as Medical Officer in the Straits Settlements.

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CRICKET NOTES.

CURRENT LEAGUE FIGURES ANALYSED.

C.R.C. AND I.R.C.

[By "SENTINEL"]

All league cricket fixtures have now been completed with the exception of the senior match between the 1st East Surreys and the Royal Artillery.

The Chinese Recreation Club had an unsuccessful season and finished at the foot of the league table.

Of nine matches they won one, drew one and lost seven. The win was secured by two wickets over the Indian R.C. in their eighth match which provided an exciting finish.

In the draw with the East Surreys, the soldiers had the better of the game, having declared with 194 for four wickets and the Chinese replying with 93 for six wickets.

They lost to the Kowloon C.C. (who scored 163 for 7 wickets, declared) by 21 runs; Craignower C.C. (199 for 4 wickets, declared) by 58 runs; University by one wicket; Royal Navy (202 for 2 wickets, declared) by 154 runs; Civil Service C.C. by nine wickets; Royal Artillery by 63 runs and the Hongkong C.C. by 10 wickets.

The only batsman to remain in the averages was W. C. Hung who scored over 200 runs with an average of 23.55. His record in the matches was 48, 49, 59, 14, 3, 7, 29, 0. He also secured the largest number of wickets (18, at an average of 18.88), eight, of them in one match. He proved a little more expensive than his brother, H. C. Hung, who had an average of 15.37 for eight wickets.

In the nine matches the Chinese R.C. scored 904 runs against 1,525 off them. Per wicket the average works out at 11.44 against 26.39.

The Indian Recreation Club 1st XI won two matches, drew three and lost four. The first win came half way in the season when they easily beat Craignower (who made only 26 runs) by nine wickets and they again got the better of the East Surrey by 97 runs in their last match. Both the University and the Civil Service C.C. had the better of the drawn games while, chances in the game with the Kowloon C.C. were open. They lost to the Royal Artillery, the Hongkong C.C. (7 wickets), Royal Navy (4 wickets) and the Chinese R.C. (2 wickets).

A. H. Madar was third to put his name on the list of those who made 200 runs this season. His average was 31.33 and scores in sequence were 45, 38, 58, 10, 23, 54, 43, 2, 9. Playing in six matches N. B. Kitchell secured an average of 33.00, his highest score being 21 not out. In the same number of matches O. Ismail's average was 21.33 and his highest score 54.

TRADE STATISTICS.

That Chinese merchants will not be inconvenienced by the non-resumption of local trade statistics was the decision announced at yesterday's committee meeting of the Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

The matter was discussed in response to a request by the Government, for an expression of opinion.

Mr. Li Yau-sun presided and was supported by Mr. J. M. Wong (vice-chairman) and Mr. Ip Lan-chuen (secretary).

A woman carrying a plate with a wing rib of beef on it applied to the North London magistrate for a summons against her butcher for fraud.

She said she bought the meat as English at 1s. 4d. per lb. and on arrival home found it was chilled meat, worth 10d. per lb. Magistrate: Was it for your Sunday dinner?—Yes, but we had to have bread and cheese instead.

The magistrate suggested that the woman might have suffered moral and intellectual damage as a result of having no Sunday dinner.

He granted a summons under the Food and Drugs Act against the butcher for "selling an article which was not of the substance demanded by the purchaser."

P. M. el Arculli entered "the 20 wickets" list, his total bag being 24 wickets at an average cost of 12.58. J. S. A. Curreen in four matches took six wickets at an average of 11.66. A. el Arculli had 14 wickets for 13.07 (and then ceased playing) and A. H. Madar 13 wickets for 16.69.

The highest score by the Indians was 236 (for 9 wickets) against Craignower and the lowest 93 against the Chinese. Against them the highest was 208 (for 9 wickets) by the Royal Artillery and the lowest 26 by Craignower.

In the nine matches the Indians scored 1,358 runs against 1,234. Per wicket the average works out at 15.79 against 16.67.

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.				
	P.	W.	D.	L.
Royal Navy	9	6	3	0
H.K.C.C.	9	5	2	2
Kowloon	9	4	3	2
Civil Service	9	3	6	0
University	9	4	1	4
R.A.	9	3	1	5
Craignower	9	1	1	7
Indian R.C.	9	2	3	4
Surreys	9	1	1	7
Chinese R.C.	9	1	1	7

Division II.				
	P.	W.	D.	L.
R.E.	7	6	1	1
H.K.C.C. 2nd	7	4	3	0
Police	7	3	3	1
K.C.C. 2nd	7	3	2	2
I.R.C. 2nd	7	3	0	4
Navy 2nd	7	2	3	2
Varsity 2nd	7	0	2	5
C.S.C.C. "A"	7	0	2	5



MATT SILVERMAN
Matt Silverman, of Brooklyn, N. Y., defeated young John Coolidge, son of the President, in a three-round boxing bout at Amherst College, where both youths are students.

MR. L. S. GREENHILL.

Mr. L. S. Greenhill, the hard-working and popular honorary secretary of the Hongkong Cricket Club will be proceeding on a further short tour of cricketing and lawn tennis enthusiasts with wish him a pleasant holiday. Mr. J. D. Humphreys will be acting secretary during Mr. Greenhill's absence.

Mr. Greenhill has also been active in public interests in other ways, doing much work behind the scenes for several other organisations.

LOCAL POSTAL ROUTES.

"When a Chinese postman insisted that he took a roundabout route, Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Magistracy yesterday suggested that to go from the Post Office to Wanchai, the man would go via the Peak.

The postman accused two compatriots of intimidation but was ordered to pay each man \$25 compensation (for malicious prosecution) or undergo a month in jail.

His Worship also ordered Det. Sub-Inspector Doring to report the man for not knowing the shortest route from one place to another.

They were the rawest lot of recruits the sergeant had ever had to tackle. He worked hard at them for three hours, and at last thought they were getting in some sort of shape, so he decided to test them.

"Right turn," he barked. Then, before they had ceased to move, came the order, "Left turn!"

One burly yokel slowly left the ranks and made off toward the barrack room.

"Here, there!" yelled the sergeant; "where are you off to?"

"I've had enough," replied the recruit. "You don't know your own mind two minutes running!"

SOCCER INTERPORT.

VICTORY FOR COMBINED PORTUGUESE.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

Victory by the odd goal in three went to the combined Portuguese eleven (picked from the Hongkong-Shanghai Interport teams of that nationality) in their match on the H.K.F.C. ground yesterday against a side designated "the Rest of the Colony."

The first half was a blank. In the second half, Hongkong drew first blood but the Portuguese subsequently got through twice.

Teams:—
Portugal: Allanson (S); F. Favacho (S); Xavier (H); C. F. Remedios (H); A. A. Remedios (H); R. Favacho (S); Puertes (H); Colloco (S); B. Favacho (S); Marcel (S); Guterres (H).
"Rest of Hongkong": Clarke (Police); Wynne (Police); Chan So (S.C.A.); Brittain (Police); Howard (H.K.F.C.); Watson (H.K.F.C.); Cornwall (Police); Pulford (R.A.); Ip Kau (S.C.A.); King ("Tamar"); Bennett ("Tamar").

Referee: Mr. Baldwin. Linesmen: Messrs. Gilmour and Melvor.

King shot at the Portuguese and Allanson tipped upwards. Pulford and Ip Kau jointly rushed the ball over the line, giving Hongkong the solitary point.

The Portuguese first goal came in similar manner. A. A. Remedios shot at Clarke and Favacho drove it in. Puertes scored the winning goal.

CHAMPIONS WIN

H.K.C.C. ANNUAL LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

IN THE OPEN DOUBLES.

Holders of the Colony's open doubles championship, H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn, defended their title for the first time this season yesterday, in the H.K.C.C. lawn tennis tournament and gave a convincing display against two good opponents who understood each other.

The Rumjahns defeated H. Owen Hughes and G. W. Sewell in four sets, the losers taking the second. Owen Hughes shot at the net while Sewell gave of his best on the base line. The winners showed that they will take a lot of beating before the championship is wrested from them.

Results:—
Open Doubles (2nd round):—
H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn beat H. Owen Hughes and G. W. Sewell 6-1, 2-6, 6-2, 6-3. G. Grimble and A. S. Hett beat K. Mawatari and H. Upstoro 8-6, 8-6, 7-5.

Club Championship, singles (3rd round):—Major W. B. Stevenson beat H. J. Armstrong 6-1, 8-6, 6-2.

Open Singles (2nd round):—Col. C. Russell Brown v. Cheong Tuk-wing.

Handicap Doubles (2nd round):—S. E. and D. S. Green (owe 15) v. Mr. Justice J. R. Wood and the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax (rec. 2/6).

Mixed Doubles (1st round):—H. W. Fitzroy Williams and Mrs. Williams (rec. 4/6) v. H. Owen Hughes and Miss Chapple (owe 4/6).

PROPERTY MARKET.

Mr. L. E. S. Hodge sold by public auction yesterday, Nos. 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23 and 25, Hollywood Road. The upset price was \$50,000 and the property was knocked down after one bid for \$52,000.

Another leasehold property, with an area of 500 square feet (No. 137, Queen's Road Central) was also to have been put up but the sale was postponed for a week.

After the rumour that this year's Nobel Peace Prize was to be awarded to M. Briand, comes the announcement that the Nobel Committee of the Norwegian Parliament has decided to make no award this year. As the prize was reserved last year and in 1923—the last award being to Dr. Nansen in 1922—the Nobel Fund will be increased by some \$24,000 as each prize is worth about \$28,000. The Swedish Academy of Science, which selects the two Nobel science prizemen—those for physics and chemistry—has also made no awards this year, as was the case with the science prizes last year, but, somewhat belated, the reserved physics prize for 1924 has been given to Professor C. G. Barkn, of Upsala.

SOCIETY WORK.

YEAR'S RECORD OF ST. GEORGE'S.

MEMBERS WANTED.

The large amount that had been spent during the year on aid to English people financially embarrassed was referred to by Mr. W. A. Dowley (Chairman) at the annual meeting yesterday of the St. George's Society. Mr. Dowley acknowledged the co-operation that other societies had extended in this connection but thought the Government might help by contributions.

The increase of eleven members only during the year led Mr. Dowley to remark on the fact that natural shyness or diffidence seemed to be keeping some Englishmen from coming forward and promoting the comradeship everybody so desired.

In reply to a question by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the chairman said that the membership of the Society was between 500 and 600. It was with sincere regret that the Society had to place on record the death of several members, the Hon. Mr. C. Montague Ede, Mr. W. Petley, Mr. M. J. D. Stephens and Mr. W. J. Wilkinson, and the Society extended sincere sympathy to their relatives.

A discussion followed on the manner in which St. George's Day should be observed this year, and it was decided to place a wreath on the Cenotaph at 9.30 and to hold a non-smoking concert, to which ladies would be invited, at night.

The New Officials.
The excellent service rendered by Mr. L. S. Greenhill, the Secretary, was referred to by the chairman. As Mr. Greenhill was going home, he wished to be relieved of his duties.

The following officials were elected:—
President, Mr. W. A. Dowley; Vice-President, the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C.; Secretary, Mr. R. E. Green-Smith; Treasurer, Mr. D. B. Peat.

The committee was elected as follows:—Messrs. S. Baker, P. S. Cassidy, E. D. C. Wolfe, E. B. C. Hornell, W. E. L. Shenton, W. W. Hornell, J. H. Ramsay, W. C. Shiner, F. A. Perry, L. Bellamy, H. P. Winslow, and R. E. Lindsell. These present at the meeting included:—Sir Henry Pollock, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Capt. Bayliss, the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, Messrs. R. E. H. Oliver, E. Cock, J. H. Ramsay, P. S. Cassidy, G. F. Nightingale, R. E. Green-Smith, R. J. Birbeck, R. H. Rolfe, V. L. Labrum, C. G. Harrison, C. Middleton Smith, L. J. Blackburn, B. N. Collick, S. Baker, R. C. Wiltchell, W. A. Cornhill, H. P. Winslow, A. J. Coppin, J. H. Wilson, W. A. Hannibal, W. C. Shiner, C. Bulmer Johnson, R. E. Lindsell, R. Hancock, W. J. Hornell, W. K. Reynolds, W. J. Simmons, L. C. P. Bellamy, A. Brearly, and A. Piercy.

GROWING DISTRICT.

"BUSES MEET NEEDS OF RESIDENTS."

FELIX VILLAS AREA.

From next week, the Hongkong Hotel Garage is inaugurating a daily bus service to the Felix Villas area, off Pokfulam Road, a district which is developing and which has not been served in this respect since the Hotel Repulse Bay bus service took the new road route.

20 cents is charged from either terminus to the University and 30 cents for through fares, children being charged at half rates.

Buses will run every half hour from 7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., and during the rush hours additional buses will be put on in order to give a fifteen minutes service, adequately catering for residents going to their offices in the morning, to and from at tiffin time and back again in the evening.

Buses will run with fifteen minutes intervals between 7.30 and 9 a.m., 12.30 p.m. and 2.30 p.m., and 6 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. Extra buses will leave the City Hall daily at 11.15 p.m. and 11.30 p.m. for the accommodation of residents who are attending the cinema or other functions in town.

NEW FOR OLD.

KOWLOON CO'S TO RETAIN BUS SERVICE.

ON CONDITIONS.

The three companies now operating the Kowloon bus service are to continue, it is understood, but on condition that the new vehicles be of an approved British type.

Replacement is to commence on January 1, 1927 when each company will put on three of the new types and take off a total of 27 old vehicles. The new are to accommodate 30 passengers.

JAPAN'S POLITICS.

VISCOUNT GOTO, PROMOTING A NEW PARTY.

MAIN FEATURES OUTLINED.

Tokyo, April 1.
Despite various rumours and conjectures appearing in the Press as regards the reconstruction of circumstances surrounding political circles, it is considered most likely that the Kenseikai will maintain the Cabinet single-handed, though the resignation of Mr. Sengoku, Minister of Railways, will materialise sooner or later.—Eastern News Agency.

An Ambitious Programme.

Tokyo, April 2.
The new political party which is being promoted and organised by Viscount Goto, it is learnt, stands for solution of the population problem in Japan. Proper protection of Japan's special positions in Manchuria and Mongolia, and moralisation of party politics, it is understood that the party will avoid snatching members from the existing political parties and realise the formation of the new party, by mustering up persons with the same mind and view at the forthcoming general election, when manhood suffrage is put in force.

Viscount Goto called on Baron Tanaka, President of the Seiyukai Party, this morning, and Mr. Wakatsuki, Premier and President of the Kenseikai Party, this afternoon, and exchanged views with them about the projected scheme. Viscount Goto will pay a visit to Mr. Tokumitsu, President of Seiyuhon to-morrow.

With reference to the plan of Viscount Goto, it is viewed in political circles here that the success of this plan is doubtful and that it will miscarry sooner or later.—Eastern News Agency.

VISCOUNT GOTO INTERVIEWED.

Tokyo, April 1.

According to the Tokyo "Asahi," Viscount Goto, in anticipation of the state of affairs after the enforcement of manhood suffrage, contemplates the formation of a new political party, and is expected shortly to issue its platform upon securing enough number of members of the same mind. Among those who have already agreed to join the projected new party, are Mr. Hideojima Nagata, ex-Mayor of Tokyo City, Mr. Zoko Nakamura, Mayor of Tokyo City, Mr. K. Matsuki, and Mr. Yusaku Kurematsu. With the object of collecting as many men of ability as possible, Viscount Goto is now conducting negotiations with various quarters.

Interviewed by pressmen, Viscount Goto made the following statement:—"With the enforcement of manhood suffrage near at hand and in view of the ugly features that marked the last session of the Diet, I can contain myself no longer. It may not be an exaggeration to say that judging from their actions, the politicians of to-day are nothing but politico-business men. We feel now duty-bound to devote our utmost efforts to a practical movement in connection with politics. If we should make a mistake about the exercise of manhood suffrage, it would, I am afraid, lead to serious consequences to this country. It is, therefore, most important for us to give political education to the people at large, so that manhood suffrage may make healthy progress."—Eastern News Agency.

Mr. Robert Hodgson (British Chargé d'Affaires in Moscow) had the honour of being received by the King on December 3, when His Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood and invested him with the insignia of a Knight Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (Civil Division).

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OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, APRIL 10, 1926, 10.30 A.M.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers Association.	Share & Real Estate Society.
T.T. on London	2/3	2/3	2/3
T.T. on Shanghai	76 3/4	76 3/4	nom.
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	105 1/2 b. 105 3/4 sa	105 3/4 b.	\$105 1/2 b.
do. London.	£125 n.	—	£125 n.
Chartered Bank	£21 1/2 n.	£21 1/2 n.	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	£30 b.	£30 n.	—
do. C.	£13 1/4 b.	£13 1/4 n.	—
P. & O. Bank	£20 1/4 n.	£20 1/4 n.	—
Bank of East Asia	\$80 b.	\$80 b.	\$80 b.
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	625 b.	620 b.	\$620 b.
China Underwriters	195 n.	2 b.	2 b.
North China Insurance.	T 145 n.	T 140 n.	—
Union Insurance	283 b. 285 sa	283 b.	\$285 b.
Yangtze Insurance	40 n.	44 1/2 b.	—
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	170 b.	165 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	550 b.	550 b.	550 b.
Shipping.			
Douglases	28 n.	28 n.	28 s.
Hongkong Steamboats	25 1/4 b.	25 1/4 h.	25 b.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	2 1/4 s.	2 1/2 b.	2 1/4 b.
Indo-China (Ref.) Ltd.	35 n.	30 n.	37 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd.	40 n.	—	45 n.
do. (Hk.) Ltd.	—	45 n.	—
Oriental Navigation	250 n.	250 n.	—
Shell Transports	87 1/2 b.	80 1/2 n.	80 1/2 n.
Star Ferries	\$62 1/2 s.	64 1/4 n.	\$64 n.
Water-boats	15 n.	15 n.	15 1/2 n.
Refineries.			
China Sugars	24 b.	23 b.	23 b.
Malayan Sugars	35 n.	35 n.	50 n.
Mining.			
Benguet	1 1/2 n.	—	—
Kailan Mining Ad.	42 1/2 b.	42 1/2 n.	47 1/2 n.
Engkats (Combined)	24 b.	T 23 b.	T 23 1/2 b.
do. (Single)	12 1/2 b.	11 b.	—
Shanghai Exploration	5 1/4 b.	5 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	7 n.	7 n.	—
Raub	35 b.	34 b.	—
Tromp Mines	65 1/2 sa.	61 1/2 b.	5 s.
Ural Caspian	8 1/2 n.	—	—
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	\$131 n.	120 1/2 sa.	\$131 b.
H.K. & W. Docks	60 n.	62 1/2 n.	60 sa.
Hongkows	T 165 b.	160 b.	160 b.
New Engineerings	5 1/2 b.	T 4 1/2 b.	5 1/2 b.
Shanghai Docks	106 b.	105 b.	106 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	10.10 b.	10.10 b. 10.10/10	10 b.
do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	67 n.	66 b.	66 b.
H.K. Realty	6 b.	5 1/2 b.	5 1/2 b.
H.K. Territorial	5 1/4 s.	6 n.	6 s.
Humphreys Estates	15 b.	15 b.	14 1/2 b.
Princes Building	100 n.	100 s.	—
Rural Lands	7 n.	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	10 1/4 b.	T 10 1/4 b.	T 10 1/4 b.
Oriental	2 1/4 b.	2.90 b.	3 b.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	52 b.	54 b.	52 b.
do. (new)	27 b.	27 b.	26 b.
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ices	\$7 1/2 n.	\$7 s.	\$ 7 s.
Cements (comb.)	10 1/4 n.	16 n.	16 n.
do. (old)	13 b.	13 1/4 b.	13 n.
do. (new)	3 n.	2 3/4 b.	3 n.
China Buses	10 s.	—	—
China Lights (comb.)	21 b.	20 1/4 b.	21 s.
do. (old)	15 b.	15 b.	15 s.
do. (new)	11 1/2 s.	12 b.	12 s.
China Prov. (comb.)	7 n.	7 1/2 n.	7 n.
do. (old)	—	—	—
do. (new)	—	—	—
Dairy Farms	20 n.	19 1/4 b.	19 s.
Der A. Wing (full pd.)	10 n.	8 s.	—
do. (part pd.)	—	—	—
Hongkong Amusements.	11 1/2 b.	11 1/2 b.	—
H.K. Constructions	2 1/4 s.	3 s.	4 s.
Hongkong Electrics	63 n.	63 b. 64 s.	63 b.
H.K. Developments	25 cts n.	25 cts b.	25 cts b.
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	30 s.	—	32 s.
do. (old)	10 s.	10 1/2 n.	11 s.
do. (new)	5 s.	5 1/2 n.	6 n.
Hongkong Tramways	24 1/2 b.	24 1/2 b. 25 s.	25 b.
Lane, Crawfords	12 1/4 n.	12 s.	12 s.
Macao Electrics	40 n.	—	—
Mackintosh	21 1/2 n.	—	—
Nanyang Tobaccos	—	13 b.	—
Peak Trams (old)	17 1/2 b.	17 b.	17 b.
do. (new)	7 1/2 b.	8 n.	8 s.
Sinceres	11 n.	10 b.	11 s.
Singapore Trams	8 s.	8 n.	—
Taxis	4 s.	3 b.	2 1/2 b.
United Asbestos	20 n.	—	—
do. (Founders)	—	600 n.	—
do. (Ordinary)	—	18 n.	—
Watsons (old)	12 b.	12 1/2 b. 12 3/4 sa	12 b.
do. (new)	—	—	—
W.M. Powells	10 n.	9 1/2 n.	10 s.
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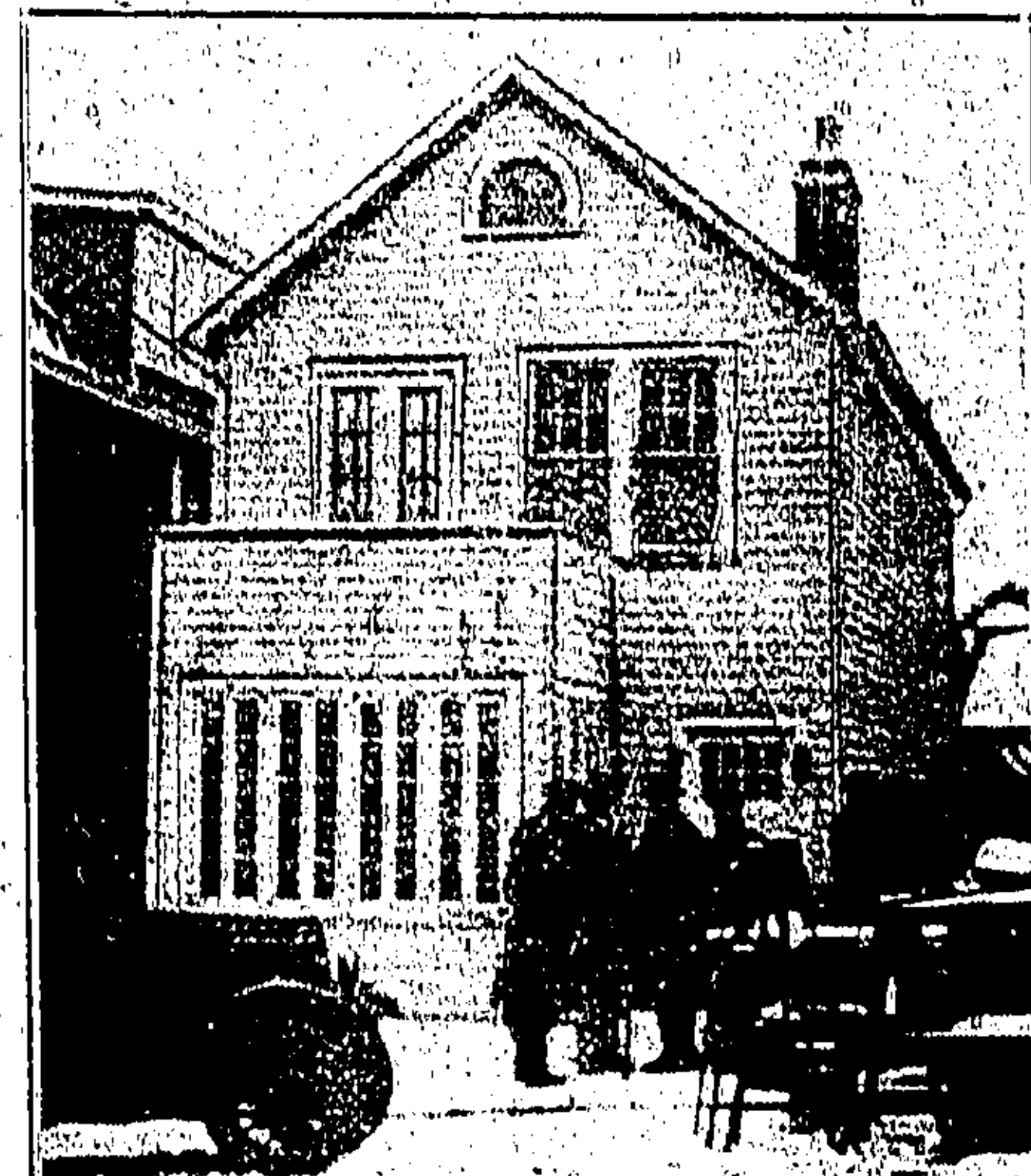
BENIAMINO GIGLI & FAMILY

Beniamino Gigli, a Metropolitan opera tenor, his wife and children were under heavy guard by New York police following death threats received by the singer at Detroit, where he was to have given a concert. He has been threatened several times by Italian underworld gangs.



CROWN PRINCE GUSTAF

When a sailor fell overboard in Stockholm harbour, Crown Prince Gustaf of Sweden, plunged in and saved his life. The two then repaired to a nearby "grog shop" and averted pneumonia with several stiff pegs of brandy.



MYSTERY HOUSE, N.Y.

Police of The Bronx, N.Y., are baffled by the "mystery house," which already has claimed three victims. Mrs. Estelle Christie was found dead in the place another daughter, Sophie, unconscious. A neighbour, Mrs. Margaret Moore, was overcome when she went to investigate. No trace of gas fumes has been found, but the police located a vat of some fluid in the attic, and believe it had something to do with the mystery.



STANLEY KWAN

Stanley Kwaan was on trial at Mineola, L.I., charged with complicity in the murder of Ernest L. Whitman, a bond salesman, in the robbery of the First National Bank of Baltimore, L.I.



MRS. L. K. McLEAN

Mrs. L. K. McLean, the widow of Stephen Ashton McLean, a millionaire banker, has had to mortgage her \$300,000 home at Mt. Kisco, N.Y., to get money to run it. Now, surrounded by valuable relics of her once wealthy past, she faces eviction.



WILLIAM M. WOOD

William M. Wood, a former head of the \$60,000,000 American Woolen Co., ended his life by shooting himself at Daytona, Fla. He had been in poor health for some time.



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Baroness Erika von Ergardt, formerly of Germany, has taken a position as French teacher at Wittenberg College, U.S.A. Col. Carmel A. Thompson, commander-in-chief of United Spanish War Veterans, dedicated a monument to the men who died on the "Maine" at Havana. Governor W. C. Fields, Kentucky, ordered out troops and tanks to guard the trial of Ed. Harris, a negro murderer, at Lexington. Andrew J. Volstead now wants to bar the manufacture and sale of alcoholic preparations used for massage.

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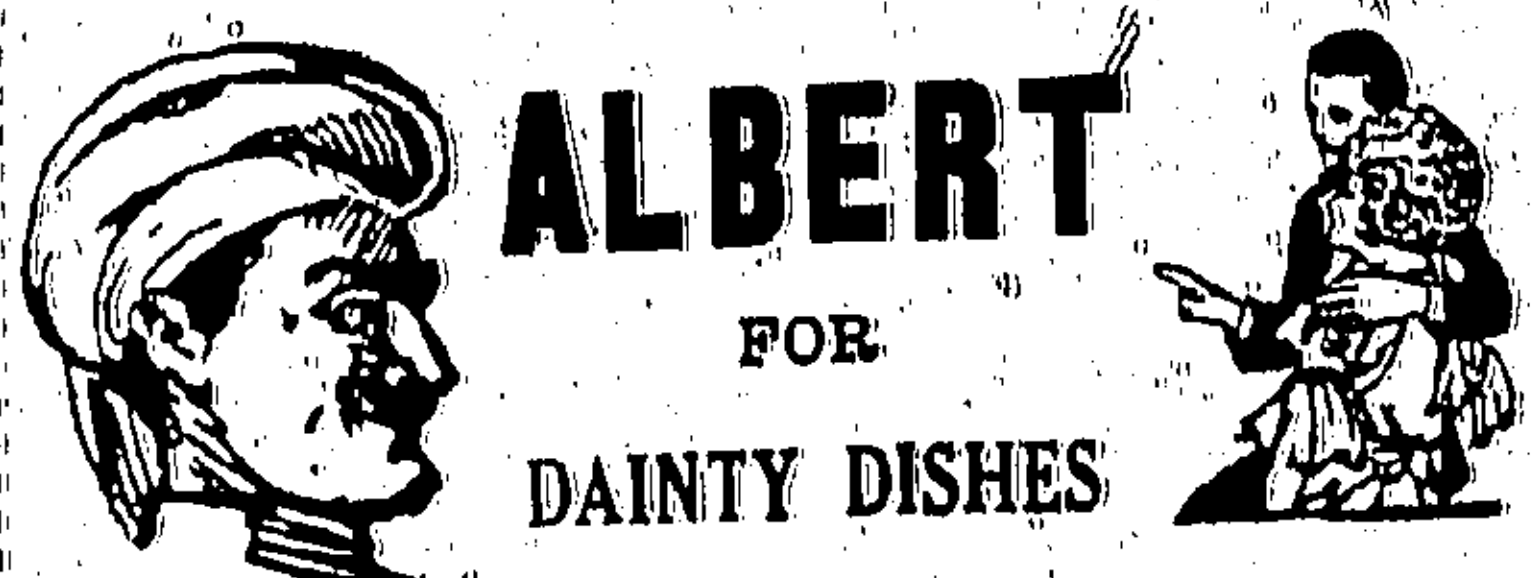
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PARKING OF CARS IN SHANGHAI.

A "REASONABLE PERIOD."

"We won't drag the ladies into it. I've enough trouble on my hands already," said Mr. G. W. King, O.B.E., H. M. Magistrate, in the British Police Court, Shanghai, on March 30, reports the "Mercury," when F. Staley, charged with parking his car in the Nanking Road for an extended period, informed His Worship that he did not think there was any objection to his leaving his car for an hour in the early hours of the morning "until the ladies come to town to do their shopping."

The oft-discussed question as to what is a "reasonable period" was again brought up, and Chief Inspector Lynch informed the Court that, whilst the Police regarded fifteen minutes as a "reasonable period" some Courts had ruled that the period should be half-an-hour.

His Worship: I don't know how the Traffic Commission will deal with the problem. I am inclined to think that the real solution will be that there shall be no parking at all in the Central District. Owner-drivers will have to make their own arrangements. There are very few places for parking cars in the City of London.

Defendant: Oh, yes! You can park your car in the middle of Regent Street or in High Holborn.

His Worship: I know High Holborn pretty well, but I never knew you could park a car there.

Defendant: Oh, I have parked my car there when I was home in 1923.

His Worship: And got away with it. This time you are up against Inspector Lynch. I am sorry, but I am against you. The fine will be the same as the last time you were here—\$3.

Corpse Revivified By Straw.

The failure to find by ordinary drugging operations the body of a little boy drowned near Crossheen, Co. Clare, led to the adoption in mail week of a device which has long been the subject of local superstition. A sheaf of oat straw was blessed, placed in the river above the scene of the accident, and allowed to float with the current. At one point, it was noticed to spin around several times. A search was made at this spot and the body was recovered. An inquest was held and a verdict of Accidental Death was returned.

Tramp: Madam, I was not always thus.
Housewife: No; it was your other arm you had in a sling last week.

AFTER FIVE MONTHS.

OWNERSHIP OF A BEAVER FUR.

FUR GUILD AND "LADY."

After exactly five months of waiting, during which time both parties to the claim repeatedly vowed that the property in question was their own; after the matter was left in the hands of fur experts who could not satisfy both parties and finally, after the argument had to be decided by the Shanghai Fur Guild, a piece of beaver fur, collar shape, valued by some at \$110 and others at half the price, was definitely handed back to "Tom" the Tailor of Broadway by Assessor Bucknell and Magistrate Kwan in the Mixed Court, Shanghai, on March 30, reports the "Mercury," and an application made by Mrs. Stone of Wongkashaw Gardens for the return of the fur to her on the ground that it had been stolen from her was dismissed.

The application made by Mrs. Stone came about in an unusual way. Mrs. Stone some time in June last year returned from a holiday abroad and found that a piece of beaver skin had been stolen in her absence. One day while on business in the shop of "Tom" the Tailor, the lady noticed a piece of fur in the shop window which struck her immediately as being her own and after informing her husband of the discovery all parties proceeded to the Central Police Station bearing the beaver skin between them in order to settle the question of ownership.

Mrs. Stone produced fur cuffs and buttons which she said had been cut from the same piece of fur but "Tom" stoutly affirmed that he had bought the fur from a Russian fur-dealer, who had since gone to Vladivostok. The case was repeatedly adjourned by the Court in an effort to arrive at a just conclusion of the matter, but finally recourse had to be made to the Shanghai Fur Guild.

Mrs. Stone at the last hearing of the case even went so far as to offer to pay \$40 for the fur so positive was she that it was hers. "Tom," however, represented by Mr. N. E. Lorton, was as equally positive that the fur was his and refused the offer.

In doing so he saved himself \$40 for a letter received by Mr. Lorton within the past few days rendered a decision favourable to himself and the Court on March 30 dismissed the application of Mrs. Stone for the return of the fur to her.

Husband (in the early morning): It must be time to get up.
Wife: Why?
Husband: Baby's fallen asleep.

SHORTHAND.

HOW SIR RICHARD MUIR "TRAPPED CRIPPEN."

COUNSEL WHO USE IT.

A barrister cross-examined at the Old Bailey in last week with the aid of a sheet of shorthand notes which he had jotted down during the witness examination-in-chief. The shorthand-writing barrister was Mr. Laurence Vine, who is appearing in the kidnapped grandfather case.

Mr. Vine has been at the bar less than two years, but he has figured in more than one sensational trial, notably the Woking murder case, and the prosecution of O'Toole, the schoolmaster of Lee. He uses shorthand in all his cases and finds it helpful to him in his cross-examination of witnesses.

Shorthand is used extensively at the Old Bailey and at assizes by junior barristers, who make rapid transcripts and pass the slips to their leaders to guide them in their line of cross-examination.

Fatal Blunder.
It has played an important part in many of the great murder trials at the Old Bailey. It helped Sir Richard Muir to trap Crippen in the witness-box when he made his fatal blunder about the pyjama suit which sent him to the scaffold. The great criminal lawyer used shorthand in every important trial in which he was engaged.

Sir Richard Muir, an old journalist, was such an expert writer of shorthand that he often took professional shorthand writers to task in the witness-box, and severely criticised their out-comes.

Mr. J. D. Cassels, K.C., M.P., once a Fleet Street journalist, is another famous barrister who uses shorthand in his work. Some barristers use a combination of various systems. One Old Bailey barrister writes a kind of shorthand which was invented by his father, who was in his time a famous Old Bailey pleader.

Lord Merrivale, President of the Divorce Court and an old "Gallery" reporter, is an expert shorthand writer and when "at the Bar," where he was known as Sir Henry Duke, often used it. He used to communicate with the late Sir Isaac Pitman, the great shorthand pioneer, by means of the winged art.

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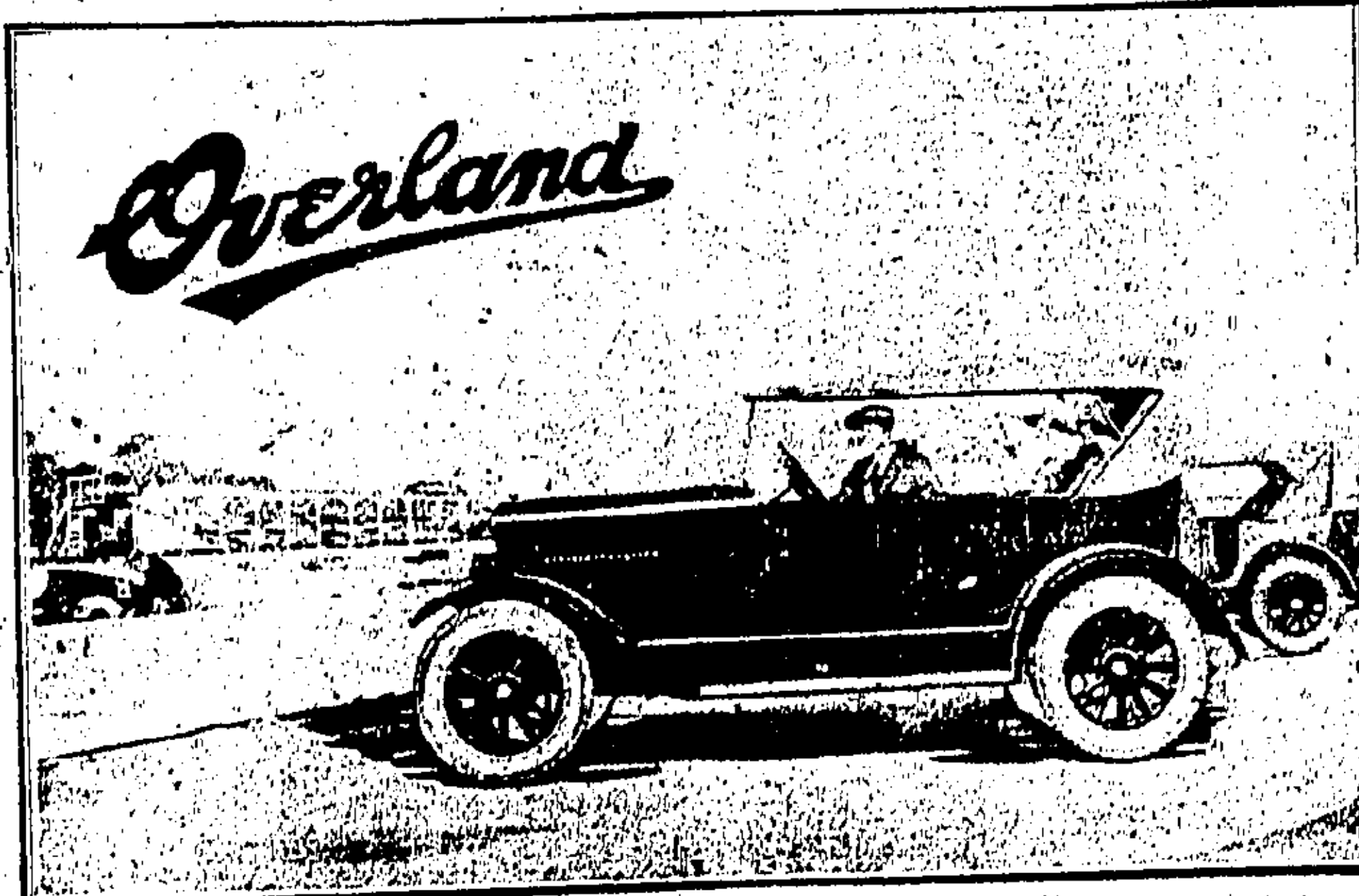
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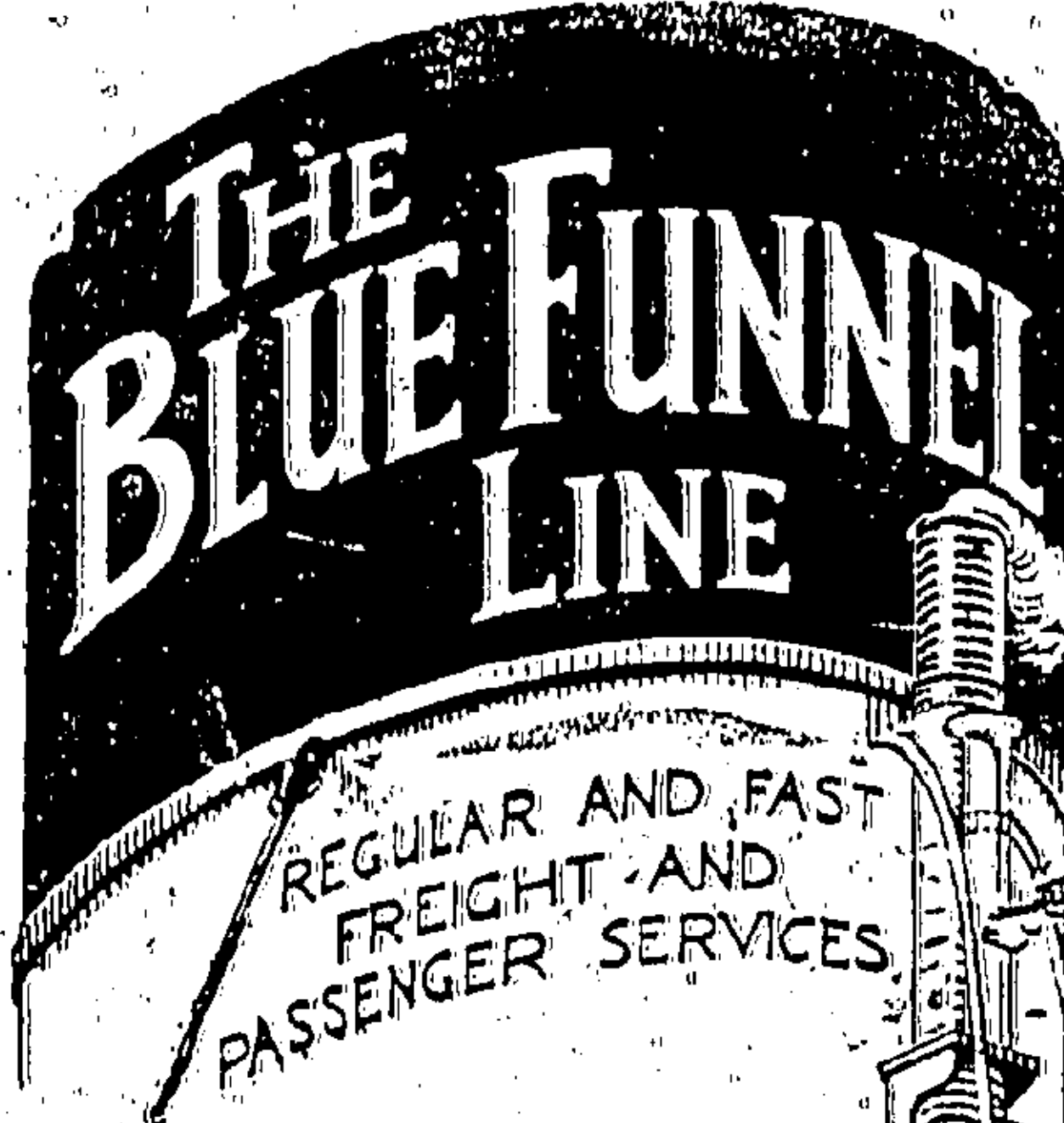
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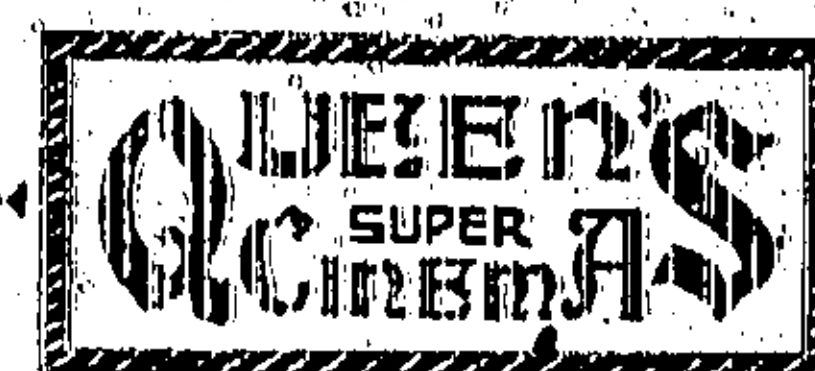
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